

# The Timberline

Monthly Newsletter of TIMBERCREST Senior Living Community  
March 2019



## Noffsinger Named Timbercrest CEO

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Stanley J. Noffsinger will become the Chief Executive Officer of Timbercrest. Stan brings leadership and administration from his positions as General Secretary of the Church of the Brethren (1999 – 2016), Director of the Office of the General Secretariat, World Council of Churches (2016 – 2018), and Manager and Executive Director of the Church of the Brethren, Brethren Service Center (1999 – 2003). He spent ten years in health care administration in Kansas.

Stan is no stranger to North Manchester: a Manchester College graduate, he was honored by Manchester University with an Alumni Award for excellence in public service in 2009 and a Doctor of Humane Letters – Honoris Causa in 2015.

Stan is no stranger to Timbercrest, either. He remembers as a boy accompanying his parents to the groundbreaking for the construction of Timbercrest.

The Board looks forward to the collaboration of Stan’s leadership and vision, the management team’s loyalty and expertise, and the staff’s dedication and energy. The goal: to continue moving Timbercrest along the path to excellence where employees feel valued, families feel their loved ones are getting great care, and residents feel the service and quality they receive are extraordinary.

Stan will live in the North Manchester area. He hopes to begin at Timbercrest on or before March 1.

A detailed memo about Stan’s appointment was distributed to residents and staff on February 21.

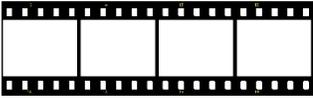
## Lent Begins: Ash Wednesday is March 6

A special Service of Ashes will mark the beginning of Lent during EvenSong, **Wednesday, March 6, at 4:00 p.m.** in the Chapel. Laura Stone, chaplain, will guide the service. This nondenominational observance is for everyone who wants to participate.

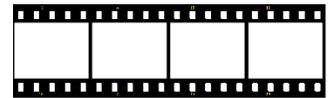
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## Timbercrest Film Committee Presents March Films



### Friday, March 1: *Slumdog Millionaire*

**7:00 p.m.**, Assembly Room

2:00 hours, with captions

Jamal (Dev Patel) is a young guy living and working in India. He is a lowly tea server at a Mumbai call center who becomes a contestant on the Indian version of *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?* He keeps on moving from one level to the next, answering all questions correctly. He is accused of cheating so he is investigated.

While he is being interrogated, he narrates snippets from his poverty-ridden childhood that reveal why he knows all the answers. Essential to the story is his relationship with his older brother Salim and his childhood sweetheart Latika (Freida Pinto). The three were close but different circumstances drove them apart. Salim became a drug mafia's right hand man, while Latika becomes the mafioso's lover. To win Latika back, Jamal clashes with his brother and attempts to rescue Latika from her abusive boyfriend. When Jamal loses hope of ever seeing Latika again, he joins the show knowing that Latika will be watching, and they will be reunited again.

### Friday, March 15: *A League of Their Own*

**7:00 p.m.**, Assembly Room

2:10 hours, with captions

During World War II when all the men are fighting the war, most of the jobs left vacant because of their absence were filled by women. The owners of the baseball teams, not wanting baseball to be dormant indefinitely, decide to form teams of women. So scouts were sent all over the country to find women players.

One of the scouts passes through Oregon and finds a woman named Dottie Hinson, who is incredible. He approaches her and asks her to try out but she's not interested. However, her sister, Kit, who wants to get out of Oregon, offers to go. He agrees, but only if she can get her sister to go. When they try out, they're chosen and are on the same team.

Jimmy Dugan, a former player, now a drunk, is the team manager. But he doesn't feel that it's a real job so he drinks and is not exactly doing his job. So Dottie steps up. After a few months when it appears the girls are not garnering any attention, the league is facing closure 'til Dottie does something that grabs attention. It isn't long 'til Dottie is the star of the team, and Kit feels like she's living in her shadow.



### March Madness Bracket Contest: *An Annual Fun Staff-Resident Event*

2019's Selection Sunday for the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament is **March 17** (the tournament begins March 21). Brackets for employees and residents will be available that week. The Employee Connections Team will post the brackets on A Street... watch the games and see who knows their teams! The Final Four Weekend is April 5-8.

### Progressive and Straight Euchre Games Planned

Join the fun of euchre in two different settings on **Friday, March 1, at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. At **10:00 a.m.**, straight euchre will be played with tally cards, ending at 11:30 a.m. Prizes will be for high score, low score and the most lones.

At **1:30 p.m.**, a "progressive" bid-euchre game will be offered. Played with a "head" and "foot" table, players move from table to table depending on their wins. High score, low score, most lones and "shoot the moon" prizes will be offered.

*For a quick review of "how to play"* come to the Assembly Room an hour before the scheduled time of the game. As always, Timbercrest "house rules" will be played; for a copy, contact Brian Daniels, 982-3940.



### Eel River Community Church Hosts Bingo Night

Members and friends of Eel River Community Church of the Brethren will be at Timbercrest **Saturday, March 2, at 6:30 p.m.** for an evening of Bingo. They'll bring special prizes and refreshments for everyone. An evening of fun for all is promised. ☺ No sign-up is needed.

## Knit and Crochet for Fun!

Learn to knit or crochet in small-group and individual settings on **Wednesdays, March 6 and 20, at 1:30 p.m.** in G Wing Lounge. Yarn and needles are

provided or bring your own. All levels of experience are welcome, especially beginners. Contact Marianne Shenefield with questions, 982-3959.

## Sewing Sisters: Stitch On ☺

The Sewing Sisters are busy making lap robes, comforters and other items for the benefit of others. Join them **Monday, March 4, at 1:00 p.m.** in the Quilt Room on A Street. Contact Mary Ritchey, 982-2112.

## Grief Support Group

“Early in your grief, and sometimes even later too, it’s not uncommon for you to feel that your loss is everywhere around you, every place you turn, every direction you look...”

~ James E. Miller, *When Mourning Dawns*

Connect with others who are grieving, journeying the winding road of loss with good companions. Join the Grief Support Group, **Thursday, March 7, at 2:30 pm**, in B Lounge. Questions (or just want to talk), contact Laura Stone, 982-3938.

## Visitation Committee

“Let us consider how we may spur one another on to love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together... but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the day approaching.”

*Hebrews 10:24-25*

The Visitation Committee is a group of people who visit residents in Health Care. If you would like to join this group, come to their meeting **Thursday, March 7, at 11:00 a.m.** in the Guest Dining Room. Talk to Lois Davis, 982-4230, for more information.

## Weekly Shopping Trips

**Mondays and Thursdays** transportation is providing for shopping in various places around North Manchester, departing from the Hub at **9:30 a.m.** Monday shopping is at Dollar General, New Market and The Hardware. Thursday shopping goes to CVS and Manchester Marketplace and provides time for “taxi service” to destinations of the rider’s choosing.

If you are unable to go with the shopper, you may leave a detailed shopping list in Marianne Shenefield’s office at the Hub. Forms are provided or you may use your own paper. A “detailed shopping list” includes: quantities, flavors, colors, price-range (if desired), sizes, brands, substitutions, etc. Also, leave a phone number where you can be reached by the shopper in case there are questions. Items can be paid for when you pick them up in Marianne’s office.

## Mid-Week Break in the Snack Shop

Come for a nibble and good fellowship in the Snack Shop each **Wednesday from 2:00-3:00 p.m.** March features these yummy treats:

- March 6** Finger Snacks
- March 13** Cinnamon Rolls and Hot Drinks
- March 20** Rocky Road Sundaes
- March 27** Popcorn Parlor

**Hymn Sing with  
West Manchester  
German Baptist Church  
Friday, March 8, 7 p.m.  
Assembly Room**



## EvenSong

Join others in the Timbercrest family for EvenSong, **Wednesdays, 4:00-4:30 p.m.** in the Chapel

- March 6** Ash Wednesday Observance with Chaplain Laura Stone
- March 13** Carol Streator and Alan Chambers – *Music and Faith*
- March 20** Eel River Community Church of the Brethren Choir
- March 27** Rohan Willoughby – *Piano Meditations*



### Book Club

The Timbercrest Book Club meets **Monday, March 11, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Guest Dining Room (west basement). Readers of new and socially-relevant books are welcome to this group. Contact Marianne Shenefield, 982-3959, for details.

### Simply Brethren

M.U. Brethren Student Group  
Meeting with  
Brethren at Timbercrest  
Thursday, March 14, 6-9 p.m  
Snack Shop

### NMHS: Story of the U.S.S. Indianapolis

Wabash attorney Douglas Lehman is the program for the North Manchester Historical Society's meeting at Timbercrest **Monday, March 11, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. Lehman will talk about the history, background and christening of the U.S.S. Indianapolis, LCS 17, a new destroyer type. Lehman is a Wabash College graduate (Summa cum Laude); he graduated from Indiana University School of Law in 1975. He served in the U.S. Navy as a lawyer in the Judge Advocate General's Corps earning the Navy Achievement Medal. After his active duty, he returned to Wabash and joined the firm of Johnston, Lehman and Guenin. He served in the Navy Reserve until his retirement in July, 2002. He has earned several Naval awards for meritorious service.

Lehman is active in Wabash civic organizations including: Rotary Club, Red Cross, Wabash County Cheer Club, Chamber of Commerce, Meals on Wheels and Lincolnville United Methodist Church, North Indiana Conference (UMC) Foundation Board (1998-2010; Chair 2006-2008).

### Knit for Kids

Ann Rehrig leads the Knit for Kids group making mittens, hats, scarves and blankets for children in the developing world. The group meets monthly to gather what they've made to be sent to World Vision for distribution. Join them **Tuesday, March 12, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Education Room (west basement).

### Praying with Scripture: *Lectio Divina*

*Lectio Divina* (Holy Reading) is praying with Scripture. Texts are read slowly, paying attention to how God may be speaking to hearts and minds, trusting the Holy Spirit to speak through the text; we listen with silent and waiting hearts. The goal is to enter into and renew a personal friendship with Christ. Praying with Scripture is open to everyone, whether you have come regularly or are new to the process. The group meets **Thursday, March 14, at 10:45a.m.**, in the Chapel. Contact Larry Fourman, (574)354-1171, for more information.

### Autism: Impacting Today's Education

Members of the Manchester Community Schools Special Education Team will share about Autism and other special needs faced by today's students and educators at **Fellowship Hour, Friday, March 8, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. New members of the Timbercrest Family will be introduced, and Interim CEO Jay Shetler will provide updates on life at Timbercrest.

Led by School Psychologist Cheri Culver, the Autism program will discuss the nature of the condition and how schools are seeking to provide for the unique needs of these students.

### Art Classes with Professor Oke

Express yourself through various artistic media through the monthly Art Class, **Monday, March 18, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Snack Shop. Sign up in the Notebooks at the Dining Rooms so enough supplies can be provided. There is no charge for the class. Questions? Contact Marianne Shenefield, 982-3959.

### TUG: Technology Users Group

TUG meets **Monday, March 18, at 10:15 a.m.** in the Conference Room. The meeting opens with time for questions and insights which might answer those questions. The TUG Planning Committee invites everyone to think about useful topics for future TUG presentations: come prepared to share ideas for topics to explore. Also, interested and qualified persons are welcome to join the TUG Planning Team which currently has four members.

### Wearin' O' the Green



Have a little St. Patrick's Day fun by donning green and trimming your shillelagh with shamrocks on **Sunday, March 17!**

## Men's Breakfast in Health Care

Men's Breakfast in Health Care is **Thursday, March 21, at 7:30 a.m.** in the Activity Room. This month features home-made waffles with a variety of

toppings, served with a side of Smoky-Links. Coffee, juice and good fellowship are also on tap! RSVP to Jenny Taylor, 982-3943.

### Chapel Speakers March 2019

Daily – 8:15 a.m.  
Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday at 9:00 a.m.  
**Dates in bold = Sunday**  
*Dates in italics = Wednesday*

Date	Speaker
Mar. 1	Herman Kauffman
<b>Mar. 3</b>	<b>Al Hohl</b>
Mar. 4	Brice Bedke
Mar. 5	Deb Peterson
<i>Mar. 6</i>	<i>EvenSong</i>
Mar. 7	Ronda Mendenhall
Mar. 8	Mark Bendes
<b>Mar. 10</b>	<b>Bob Pfeiffer</b>
Mar. 11	Lois Landrum
Mar. 12	Art Hunn
<i>Mar. 13</i>	<i>EvenSong</i>
Mar. 14	Kurt Borgmann
Mar. 15	John Bunch
<b>Mar. 17</b>	<b>Laura Stone</b>
Mar. 18	Mike Kauffman
Mar. 19	David Rogers
<i>Mar. 20</i>	<i>EvenSong</i>
Mar. 21	Tom Curry
Mar. 22	Sabine Thomas
<b>Mar. 24</b>	<b>Andrew Sampson</b>
Mar. 25	Laurie Cornett
Mar. 26	Bickey Garber
<i>Mar. 27</i>	<i>EvenSong</i>
Mar. 28	MarkStahl
Mar. 29	Jim Nutt
<b>Mar. 31</b>	<b>Patrick Paris</b>

If you are unable to come to the Chapel, you can always listen to the services in real time on Channel 2.



### Lunch Out: Mi Pueblo

March Lunch Out is to the Mi Pueblo Restaurant in Wabash, **Thursday, March 21**, departing from the Hub at **11:00 a.m.** Recently moved to a brand new building in January, Mi Pueblo serves traditional Mexican food (the menu is very similar to El Mezquite).

The restaurant's new building is an eclectic collection of traditional Mexican-style trims and stonework. There is a feel of "old Mexico" in the Dining Room and Cantina. Sign up in the Notebooks at of the Dining Rooms. Meal cost and gratuity are on your own. Questions? Call Rhonda Nettrouer, 982-3925.

### Nineties Club

The Nineties Club will meet **Thursday, March 21, at 2:30 p.m.** in the Snack Shop. The program will feature Director of Food Service Lisa Sattison sharing about the full-range of services available to people who live at and who visit Timbercrest. Everyone 90 years and older (and spouses) is welcome to the meeting.

### Power Walking Continues

Power Walking moves along **Tuesday** afternoons at **3:30 p.m.** and **Thursday** mornings at **10:00 a.m.** Tuesdays feature a one-mile walk; Thursdays are two-mile walks. Contact Brian Daniels, 982-3940, for details.



### Ceramics Group

Have creative fun with the Ceramics Group **Mondays and Wednesdays** at **1:30 p.m.** in the Craft Room in the west basement. There is no charge unless you want to purchase what you made. Contact Marianne Shenefield, 982-3959, if you have questions.

### Memoir Writing with Jane Starner

Jane Starner helps bring life to life-stories through the Memoir Writing group each **Thursday at 1:30 p.m.** in the Guest Dining Room. While some have come regularly since the group formed in November, new participants are always welcome. Jane provides starter topics and encourages ways for participants to write out their story. Stories are your own – a gift for yourself and your family. Questions? Contact Jane, 1(423)298-4569.

### Garden Meeting

There will be a meeting of persons interested in the Timbercrest Garden on **Monday, March 4, at 3:00 p.m.** in the Education Room (west basement). If you have had a garden spot in the past or are interested in having one, you are welcome to attend. Questions? Contact Brian Daniels, 982-3940.

*New this year?* Some spaces on the east end of the garden will be permitted for Timbercrest employees to have a section. Resident gardeners will have first priority and procedures applying to resident gardeners will apply to employee gardeners as well.

## Walmart, Here We Come!

The monthly Walmart outing is **Thursday, March 14**, departing from the Hub at **1:30 p.m.** Sign up in the Notebooks at the Dining Rooms.

If you are unable to go, you can submit a detailed shopping list *in Campus Mail only*. (Please do not leave lists with the Receptionist, on Brian's desk, send by email, etc.... the risk of being lost or forgotten is very high. ☺) A detailed shopping list includes: quantities, flavors, colors, price-range (if desired), sizes, brands, substitutions, etc. Also, leave a phone number where you can be reached by the shopper in case there are questions. You will receive a bill for your purchases after delivery.



## Webb's Pharmacy Program

Learn about the newest services for older adults in North Manchester provided by Webb's Family Pharmacy on **Friday, March 15, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. Harry Webb, pharmacist and owner,

and Yi Yang, the North Manchester Pharmacist, will make presentations. Many of these services are unique to Webb's and advantageous for Timbercrest residents.

## Wing Dinners to Begin

Each month in 2019 the McCombs will host wing residents for supper, beginning with B Wing on Saturday, **March 23 at 4:30 p.m.** in B Wing Lounge. The McCombs will provide beef-and-noodles, mashed potatoes, crescent rolls and beverages. Relishes and dessert will also be provided. Kelli McCombs will contact residents of B Wing March 15 for RSVP.

## Accessories for Hope Sale

Help support women who have been freed from human trafficking by purchasing hand-crafted and fair-trade items from Accessories for Hope, **Monday, March 25, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. Sherry Searles will help with your purchases and can provide information about the women the project helps.

## Help Yourself Prevent UTI

An often overlooked condition for many older adults is Urinary Tract Infection (UTI). These painful conditions can show up unexpectedly and create symptoms that may be mistaken for anything from forgetfulness to delusions. Learn how you can prevent UTI at a workshop at Timbercrest on **Monday, March 25, 2:00 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. Lisa Fields, RN, is Clinical Education Specialist at Woodlawn Hospital, Rochester.

## Share Easter Greetings with Hand-made Cards

Friends and family always appreciate a hand-made card from loved ones at Timbercrest. Wish them a "Happy Easter" with a card you made **Monday, March 25, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Craft Room (west basement). There is no charge for crafting but sign-up is requested so there are enough supplies. Sign up in the Notebooks at the Dining Rooms. Questions? Contact Marianne Shenefield, 982-3959.

## Game Night

Game Night is **Tuesday, March 26, 6:15 p.m.**, in the Recreation Room (west basement near the pool tables). Bring your favorite game to share or play a friendly game of pool or ping pong with a friend. Timbercrest also provides some table games. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. Questions? Contact Rhonda Nettrouer, 982-3925.



## Seniors for Peace: Cliff Kindy

Local peace advocate Cliff Kindy will discuss *How does non-violence retake the initiative from the actors of violence?* at the **Thursday, March 28**, meeting of Seniors for Peace, at **10:00 a.m.** in the Chapel.

Kindy, an active peace-worker, has served with Christian Peacemaker Teams working for non-violent resolution of conflicts around the world. He is an organic farmer living outside Liberty Mills with his wife, Arlene.

## Old German Baptist Hymn Sing

Members and friends of North Manchester and Eel River congregations of the Old German Baptist Church Invite the Timbercrest family to a hymn sing **Sunday, March 31, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. All denominations are welcome. Some hymnals are provided; you may bring your own, as many hymns are common to various hymnals.

## Squirrel Creek Bulk Foods and Raber's Kountry Store

Enjoy a nice country drive and shopping opportunity to Squirrel Creek, near Roann, **Thursday, March 28**, departing from the Hub at **1:30 p.m.** Squirrel Creek offers many unique and natural organic food products including gluten-free and sugar-free items. They also carry Miller's Fresh Poultry, 40 varieties of cheese, lunch meat, dried fruits and jams.

When shopping is finished at Squirrel Creek, the group will go to Raber's Kountry Store in Macy. Raber's carries scratch-and-dent items, fresh produce, frozen meals, juices, canned goods and much more. To go, sign up in the Notebooks outside of the Dining Rooms. Questions? Call Rhonda Nettrouer, 982-3925.



## El Salvador Eye Care Mission

Brian Daniels recently returned from his annual medical mission to El Salvador with Eye Care International. He will present a program on the trip on **Friday, March 29, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Assembly Room. The purpose of the mission is to provide eye care for underserved patients. The group was in Juayua and Sonsonate, a region they

haven't been to since 2003; they saw over 5,000 patients with comprehensive eye exams and education in good visual health. Salvadoran refreshments and coffee will be served at the end of the program.

## Churches Host Pastor Lunches

The following congregations host lunch with their pastors and members and friends in March. Sign up in the Notebooks at the Dining Rooms to RSVP.

- ✘ *Eel River Community Church of the Brethren, Thursday, March 7, Noon*, in the Snack Shop: contact Carolyn Bollinger, 982-2722.
- ✘ *Manchester Church of the Brethren, Wednesday, March 13, Noon*, in the Assembly Room; contact Ernie Barr, 982-7862.
- ✘ *Lutheran Lunch, Wednesday, March 27, 11:30 a.m.*, in the Snack Shop; contact Darlene Shear, 578-4443.

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## Peace Corner

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### From the United States Institute on Peace

Civil wars have been on the rise in recent years, causing immense suffering from mass atrocities to famine, and historic numbers of displaced people. Violence is endemic in many urban centers, while the lives of large numbers of women and children are shaped by their experience of violence in situations of fragility. Through the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, all governments have committed to fostering peaceful, just and inclusive societies which are free from fear and violence...

...we are conscious that violent conflicts cause unacceptable levels of civilian casualties, atrocities and abuses in fragile states. Disparities run deep and are intensified by conflict and violence. The most unequal societies are often the most violent. Weak institutions, rampant corruption, and high levels of exclusion fuel insecurity and damage communities and economies. More than half of the world's poorest people are projected to live in fragile states by 2030.

[The United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals] promise to "significantly reduce all forms of violence" everywhere, but lethal violence is expected to rise by 2030 according to current trends. This is not inevitable. We have compelling evidence to show that conflict and violence can be prevented through multisectoral action to resolve disputes, strengthen institutions, tackle exclusion, and invest in human potential.

For information on United Nations' Sustainable Goals, visit [www.sustainabledevelopment.un.org](http://www.sustainabledevelopment.un.org)

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## From the Desk of Jay Shetler, Interim CEO

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### Seven Big Ideas (2019 Timbercrest Strategic Business Plan)

One of the items taken up during the February 2 meeting of the Timbercrest Board of Directors was approval of the 2019 Strategic Business Plan, which I like to refer to as Dave's (Lawrenz) Seven Big Ideas. As Interim Administrator, I've met several times with Dave and on a bi-weekly basis with our Board Chair, Jan Fahs, to ask questions for clarification, share observations and strategize for the future.

Out of those thoughtful conversations and a careful review of past strategic plans, we came up with seven key areas of focus. Circumstances can change and may cause us to revise our priorities, but these Seven Big Ideas will provide at least an initial Board-directed framework for the Management Team and new CEO. This is the strategic plan I introduced at the February 14 All-Resident Meeting (but without the explanations). Throughout 2019 you can expect to receive periodic updates from Administration on progress on each of these initiatives.

1. Adopt Quint Studer's *Five Pillars of Excellence* operational performance model, establish benchmark goals for each pillar that tie back to the approved 2019 budget. The *Five Pillars* are People, Service, Quality, Finance and Growth.
2. Complete the *Pathways to Wellness* capital campaign.
3. Reposition Timbercrest housing accommodations to better match current market trend demand.
4. Review and revise the Timbercrest lease agreements.
5. Create a 3-5 year Information Technology Strategic Plan.
6. Explore opportunities to collaborate with other healthcare providers to lower operating costs or enhance revenues.
7. Secure Medicare Advantage Plan contracts to provide post-acute care to Timbercrest residents, as well as outside community admissions.

Quint Studer outlines Nine Principles for Service and Operational Excellence in his book, *Hardwiring Excellence: Purpose, Worthwhile Work, Making a Difference*. He writes, "The journey to becoming a world-class organization begins with a firm and measurable commitment to excellence (Principle 1). What defines "excellence"? In the hospital setting, Quint defines excellence as when employees feel valued, physicians feel their patients are getting great care, and patients feel the service and quality they receive are extraordinary."

Restated for our setting at Timbercrest, excellence is seen when employees feel valued, families feel their loved ones are getting great care, and residents feel the service and quality they receive are extraordinary.

With a firm Board commitment to excellence and new executive leadership coming soon, the future looks very bright for Timbercrest.

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## Notices

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### Alice Newcomer to Mark 90 Years

Join Alice Newcomer's daughters celebrating Alice's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, **Friday, March 1, from 2:00-4:00 p.m.** in the Snack Shop. Alice belongs to the Manchester Church of the Brethren and served many years with her late husband, Hubert, in caring for older adults. The entire Timbercrest family is welcome to this party.

### Dining Room Reservations

Family and guests are always welcome to dine in the Rose Garden and Courtyard Dining Rooms. It is important to make reservations at least 24-hours in advance; reservations should be made through the Timbercrest Receptionist (not through the Dining

Room hostess or server). The advance reservation time insures that there will be enough servings for regular Timbercrest diners and for guests coming in. The Food Service staff appreciate everyone's cooperation so the best possible service can be provided.

### Timbercrest Library Book Donations

The Timbercrest Library is no longer accepting Aging, Health matters, workbook or cookbook donations. These books expire very rapidly, and, when they are donated, many are already out-of-date. The Library is seeking donations of current, hardback books only at this time, large print preferred. Paperback book donations can be made at the Hub in the Book Cart Return on the table by the printer. These books are circulated through the Book Cart. The Book Cart schedule is on the bulletin boards at the Dining Rooms, on Channel 2 and in the Library.



### Thanking Birthday Hosts

March Birthday Dinners are being hosted by Harvest Community Church, Pierceton, (March 6) and Liberty Mills Church of the Brethren (March 19). Invitations to March birthday honorees have been sent. If

you have an opportunity, stop by and thank these volunteers for their time and gift of hospitality on behalf of Timbercrest.

### Employee Christmas Bonus Fund: Thank You!

*“Staff doing the right thing, the right way, at the right time.”*

That’s how the people who live at Timbercrest feel about the people who work here. ☺ **A THANK YOU TO YOU...** your giving to the EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS BONUS made us feel Special! \$17,240.89 was raised by a resident committee for this fund.

The Christmas Bonus is distributed in this manner: full-time employees receive about \$100 as a bonus; part-time employees receive \$50. In addition, another part of the bonus comes through fees paid by residents, equaling \$20 for full-time and \$10 for part-time staff plus \$1 for every year of service (\$25 maximum). The entire Christmas bonus comes from residents.

The staff family extends a heart-felt “Thank You” to the resident family for your generosity and kindness.

### Dana Krull Tax Preparation

Residents who would like assistance with tax preparation can schedule an appointment with Dana Krull, C.P.A., with the Timbercrest Receptionist. Krull will be at Timbercrest **Thursday and Friday, March 7 and 8**, by appointment. Dana is a long-time member of the Timbercrest Board of Directors and is a partner in the Himes and Krull CPA Firm, Pierceton.



### Shop Your Neighborhood Market

Did you know that shopping the Neighborhood Market helps benefit Timbercrest programs? Choir music, woodshop supplies, ceramics greenware and supplies, knitting and quilting needs are all funded by Neighborhood Market sales. In addition, each year a donation to the Charitable Assistance Fund is made from Market proceeds.

The market carries several items that also benefit others, like the Lafiya Program of the Church of the Brethren and Fair-trade goods. There are many gift and convenience items, greeting cards, snacks and supplies in the Market. Stop by and see what’s new.



### NOAC 2019: Reaching Into Joy

An interest meeting for the 2019 National Older Adults Conference will be **Monday, March 18, at 3:30 p.m.** in the Conference Room (west basement). Details are available at [www.brethren.org/NOAC](http://www.brethren.org/NOAC). Attending the meeting does not commit anyone to going to the conference: it is simply to see if there is enough interest to send a Timbercrest coach.

The conference is **September 2-6, 2019**, at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina and registration begins in April 2019. If there is interest, Timbercrest will offer transportation to NOAC. For one coach, we need *seven Timbercrest participants* to ride. For two coaches, we need at least twelve. Seats for non-resident riders will be made available after we know how many Timbercrest participants will be available.

## HELP WANTED

There are several opportunities available to serve at Timbercrest in volunteer capacities. Please see details in each article below:

**NEWSPAPER DELIVERY;** take newspapers, delivered to the Front (west) entrance, to the Hub and to Health Care for subscribers who live there. Contact Lucy McKinley at 982-2118 for details.

**MENU RECYCLING/TABLET ASSEMBLY;** assistance with cutting light cardboard for notepad backs is especially needed; help with other areas of production would also be appreciated; contact Brian Daniels, 982-3940, or Peggy Workman, 982-4921 for details.

**EXERCISE LEADERSHIP:** volunteer to lead morning exercise group videos, strength training or tai chi when staff is unavailable; Contact Rhonda Nettrouer, 982-3925, for more information.

## Medicare and Insurance Updates

Please help keep your Timbercrest files up-to-date. ☺ If you had a change in health insurance coverage during the past year or have a new coverage effective in January, please bring the new insurance cards to the Receptionist or to Yvonne Weston so a copy can be placed in your file. Having the correct information on-file helps Timbercrest staff provide quicker service should the need arise.

## Tax Deduction of Residential Care Expenses

For tax filing purposes some residents have inquired about the portion of their Manor Apartment Living monthly fee that covers the cost of medical or nursing care. Timbercrest has never carefully separated out this cost. To do this would require an ongoing process of allocation and bookkeeping that is not currently completed. However, Timbercrest can reasonably estimate this cost and residents should rely upon the advice of their tax return preparer regarding the appropriate use of this information. A memo is being prepared for 2018 and will be available at the Receptionist Desk by Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

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## Out and About in the Community

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### Shepherd's Center Notes

- ✓ The North Manchester Shepherd's Center now meets in the Blocher Room of the North Manchester Public Library, 405 N. Market St. Current Events (CE) begins at **9:00 a.m.** and Adventures in Learning (AIL) follows. Medtalk begins at **8:30 a.m.**, followed by CE.
- ✓ Please carpool with other Shepherd's Center members for Current Events and MedTalk. Due to limited participation, we won't be taking the coach any longer.
- ✓ Here is the schedule for March:
  - **March 6, 9:00 a.m.** – CE: Sherry Searles, Accessories for Hope: *Human Trafficking: More Slavery Now than During the Civil War*  
AIL: Ann Harting: *Honeywell Center Programing*
  - **March 13, 9:00 a.m.** – CE: David Waas, retired M.U. History professor  
AIL: Jeff Osbourne: *2019 M.U. Medical Practicum to Guatemala*
  - **March 20, 8:30 a.m.** – Medtalk: Dr. Mitchell Stucky, Family Medicine and Administration, Parkview  
CE: David Swartz, retired U.S. State Department
  - **March 27, 9:00 a.m.** – CE: Leonard Williams, M.U. professor of Political Science  
AIL: David Doudt: *Montessori for Peace in Nigeria*

### Center for History to Host Smithsonian Exhibit on Rural America

The North Manchester Center for History has been selected by Indiana Humanities to host a Smithsonian Insitute-curated traveling exhibit called *Crossroads: Change in Rural America*, as part of the Museum on Main Street program. The exhibit examines the evolving landscape of rural America; it will be on display at the Center for History in the Spring of 2020, while touring six Indiana communities from September 2019 to June 2020. Nearly 100 years ago, the 1920 census revealed that for the first time, more Americans lived in urban environments than in rural communities. Since 1900, the percentage of Americans living in rural areas dropped from 60 percent to 17 percent, yet the vast majority of America's physical landscape remains rural. *Crossroads* looks at this remarkable societal change and how rural Americans responded.

### Manchester University Hosts Trip to Cubs Game

Join Manchester University to see the Chicago Cubs **Friday, July 12, at 1:20 p.m.** at Wrigley Field. The Pittsburgh Pirates are the day's opponent. Ticket sales began Feb. 4: call M.U. for ticket information, 982-5000.

### Hawkins Farm "Shares" Available

Locally-grown meat, poultry and produce are available at Hawkins Family Farm through a "share" subscription program. There is a variety of weekly delivery options. Details can be seen at [www.harvie.farm/signup/hawkins-family-farm](http://www.harvie.farm/signup/hawkins-family-farm) All products are grown at the farm, located just a few minutes out of town.