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Community Highlights from Westwood Ridge



MARCH 2021

A newsletter for the residents, family and friends of Westwood Ridge

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Brenda's Blog



We will be wrapping up our third round of vaccination clinics in March. TCU is being held on March 8, and WWRI, Memory Care and Care Suites will be held on March 13. We currently do not have the ability to administer any vaccines after these dates. The MDH is working on plans for communities to be able to administer vaccines to new residents and employees, as well as second doses to those that started the vaccination process. We will update you as we learn more. We are pleased that 98% of our residents are vaccinated in WWRI, Memory Care and Care Suites! Our current numbers show that 56% of employees are also vaccinated. Please note that we are not changing any infection control practices currently as there is still too much to learn regarding reinfection, how long the vaccine lasts, etc. The MDH has not loosened the guidance for congregate care settings at this time. Please continue to wear a mask, complete good hand hygiene, and social distance. As changes occur from the CDC and MDH, we will keep you posted and adjust as we go. We will continue to do everything we can to resume "normalcy" with increased visitation, group activities and dining. Thank you for your ongoing patience as we endure this pandemic together!



Resident Profile

Betty Jane Schaeppi

Born: March 21st, 1932

Parents: Frank and Elizabeth Jelacic

Siblings: Francis (he was killed in WWII) on a B29, Geraldine (she died when I was a baby)

Education: Graduated in 1950 from St. Agnes High School

College: Took classes at St. Catherine's and St. Thomas

First Job: Car hop at a rootbeer stand

Favorite Job: Secretary to the personnel manager at Montgomery Ward in the midway

Faith: Catholic

Spouse: Married Paul Gregory Schaeppi on June 18th, 1955.

Paul was the son of one of my dad's co-workers. I got him as a date to the Sr. Prom for one of my friends. After that, he asked me out.

Children: Teresa, Gregory, Mary Beth, Barbara, Susan

Pets: We had almost any animal you could name when our kids were living at home.

Person who influenced your life the most: My dad—He immigrated from Vienna when he was 14 years old and made a success of his life here.

Family Traditions: Homemade greeting cards for birthdays, we celebrated Father's Day, Our Anniversary and Paul's birthday all on the same day.

Favorite Food: Anything except liver

Favorite Dessert: Rootbeer float

Favorite Beverage: Just plain water

Favorite Restaurant: Red Lobster and Olive Garden

Favorite Music: Classical, Music from the 60's & up

Favorite T.V. Show: Blue Bloods, Columbo, Monk

Favorite Movie: Rear Window

Favorite Sport: Twins and Vikings

Favorite Season: Spring

Favorite Holiday: Christmas

Favorite Book: Any book by Jon Hassler & Mysteries

Moment in history you remember most vividly: Assassination of JFK & 9/11

First trip: Train trip to see friends in Chicago when I was a teenager

Favorite trip: Trip Paul and I took to Europe, Saw 8 Countries

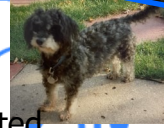
Favorite Pastime: Puzzles, Cribbage, Drawing, Cards (500 or Hand & Foot)

Something you are really good at: Bragging about my 30-year-old Honda Civic which has never been in an accident. Call it my Creampuff

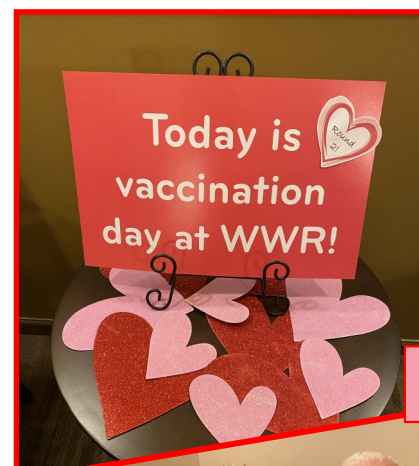
Best piece of advice: Don't take things too seriously, except your religion

Most proud of: Raising 5 wonderful children—Also 12 fantastic Grandchildren

What do you most enjoy doing at Westwood Ridge: Bus trips when we had them, now Word Games and trying to guess who is behind the mask!



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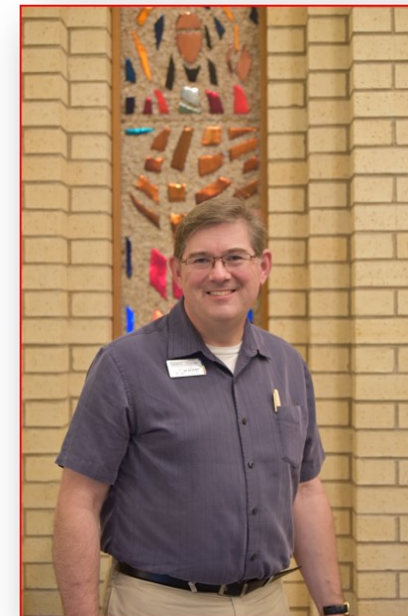
Round 2!



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Chaplain's Pen



Chaplain's Pen
February 25, 2021
Rev. David Cobb, Walker Methodist Staff
Chaplain

A friend recently posted on Facebook asking for help with a career-determining decision. He was feeling "at the point of overwhelm" which he described as "a crossroads." One educational path would lead to one career; another to a different one. He wanted guidance on how to choose.

The metaphor of crossroads struck me as significant. It brought to mind the first lines of Robert Frost's poem:

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Our choices seem so monumental at the time, and we try to find reason for one or the other. But often what's significant isn't the path we choose but the person we want to become.

That got me thinking about intersections. Intersections, a professor of mine once said, are where all your passions and interests converge. They don't require you to choose among them, but instead, by finding their intersection within you, they invite you to be yourself as fully as possible no matter what you decide to do.

Frost's traveler is at a crossroads, faced with a choice. But his real purpose is to keep his integrity, to remain whole and not divided. What's at stake isn't a destination but to "be one traveler." That turn from being outwardly at a crossroads to inwardly abiding at the intersection where all our interests make us whole, is what I'd like to suggest my friend consider.

Peace and wholeness to you in this season.

Resident Birthdays



Westwood Ridge I

- 2nd– Winnie Dutke
- 2nd– Lorraine Haney
- 3rd– Hilda Young
- 5th– Roger Jentink
- 8th– Rose Weiner
- 14th– Frances Wegleitner
- 15th– Dot Wolking
- 20th– Marilyn Ertel
- 21st– Betty Schaeppi
- 25th– Maureen Makens
- 26th– Don Rosvold

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- 7th– Dolly Blochinger



Westwood Ridge I

- Dee Ann Simser
- Harlene Loftus
- Betty Schowalter
- Laura Grossmann
- Jose Duran
- Gloria Carlson
- Irene Denviler
- Rick & Alice Adams

Westwood Ridge II

- Ruth Rudolph
- Dorothy Landgren




Department News

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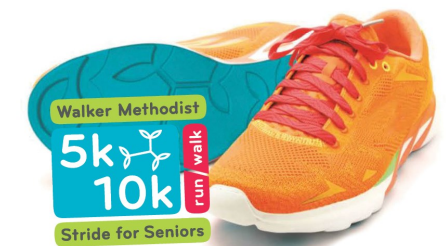
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Stride for Seniors

16th Annual 5k/10k
Lake Harriet Bandshell Park
June 5, 2021 | 9 a.m.



Life. And all the living that goes with it.