

The Woodcrest Villager

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Summer Unlike Any Other

Living through a pandemic is not something any of us necessarily imagined.

And yet, we all keep putting one foot in front of the other and we progress. The seasons change and life keeps rolling. We progress in our thinking and behaviors. We progress in our attitudes and tolerances. As a self-contained community, Woodcrest Village already knew the value of our bonds with each



other, but now we know how to rely on them. Walking down our halls, one will witness many small, seemingly insignificant acts of



kindness among residents and staff. Thoughtful cards or

gifts exchanged at difficult times; offers to lend a hand to someone in need of one; the

BINGO winnings being pooled to send to the local food pantry. These acts are small but certainly not insignificant. These are the kind of actions that will bol-

ster us, and support us as we move through this uncharted territory. We know that the pandemic will not

last forever, but the strength we find in each other will.

Residents Collaborate Creatively



For many of us, summer time conjures up memories of visits to the shore. Since the Covid situation does not allow for that pleasant pastime, we decided to take matters into our own hands. We have begun work on a collaborative project to create a diorama that depicts an

oceanic scene. Each week, residents will undertake a new craft to create another element of the scene. Creativity has been flourishing as we all brainstorm together and work as a team toward our common goal. The piece incorporates many artistic mediums, including sculp-

ture, painting, and paper crafting. This mixed media project highlights how well Woodcrest Village really works as a team.



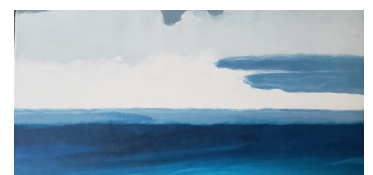
“Down by the Seaside”



In August, we asked staff members to share with the house, art that was special to them, and they came through in fine style! The exhibition “Our Treasures” was a delight and we sincerely thank everyone for their participation. This September, our Community

Room is changing it’s wardrobe once again and we are putting the call out to both residents and staff to help us decorate the walls with a shared tapestry of art. All are invited to loan from their collections, any piece of wall

hanging art that is of a beach, ocean or nautical theme. The “Down by the Seaside” exhibit will be accented by our undersea diorama. We’ll have the beach, no sun-screen required.



Pontine Theatre Returns

We, like everyone, have had to forgo a summer's worth of live performances. While we certainly miss our seats at the Barn, we need not go the whole season without some theatre! This month,

we gladly welcome back Pontine Theatre! The creative duo have been regular performers at Woodcrest for many years. "Pontine Theatre's Co-Artistic Directors premiere a new work based on the early poems of Robert Frost, a long-

time summer resident of Franconia NH. Frost's first of four Pulitzer Prizes was awarded in 1924 for his volume: "New Hampshire: A Poem with Notes and Grace Notes.""



Bartenders Back at Waldo's Pub (virtually)!

Unquestionably, the most difficult sacrifice made to meet safety protocol has been the contact with our family and friends. We at Woodcrest Village have always been blessed with a large community of delightful friends who visit and volunteer. Our famous "Waldo's Pub" was a nightly opportunity to chat with a rotating roster of bartending



buddies. Since March, that has not been an option and we have missed our friends. But we have the technology to minimize the problem. The Community Room will be Waldo's new venue! In August we set up our cocktail hour in the

Community Room, allowing for our group to socialize in the now normal, distanced way. Zoom again helped us to reach out to the greater world. We met with a group of our dear volunteers, to share a drink and some laughs together again. We all had so much fun, it was decided to make it a monthly date!

At this Moment

