

Coffee Crew

We are looking to add a few volunteers to assist us making coffee for the building. We would love to have your help. Please stop by the office to inquire.



Farmers Market

We will be carpooling to the Farmers Market at Aldrich Arena on Wednesday July 3rd at 10am. Please see the sign-up sheet on the 1st floor bulletin board. Drivers and passengers are needed to make this trip a success.





Norgard News

July 2019 Edition

June at a glance.....



1st Day of Summer June 21, 2019

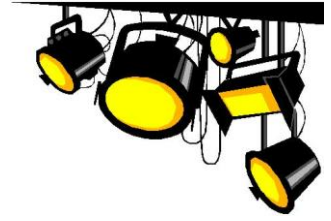
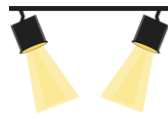


Breakfast w/ "The Guys"

4th of July Potluck

4-6pm bring your own meat for the grill masters to cook for you. Please also bring a dish to share with your neighbors. Sign up sheet located on 1st floor bulletin board.





Resident Spotlight: *Lucy Halterman*

Q. How long have you lived at Norgard?

A. I moved in: August of 2009. Its been nearly 10 years here at Norgard in apartment #213.

Q. What was the last gift you gave someone?

A. My grandson got a check from me for graduating High School.

Q. Do you have any hobbies? Current or previous?

A. I used to love playing baseball with my grandkids. I enjoy knitting and crocheting when my hands allow me. I mostly watch the news now as a pastime.

Q. What were you like in High School?

A. I was a quiet student. I sang in the choir and played the clarinet.

Q. What is the best and worse job you've ever had?

A. I never really had a bad job. I worked in a bakery before class in high school they kept me busy wrapping donuts and rolls. Later in life, I retired from United Hospital after 28 years of nursing in the ICU.

Q. What is the most memorable vacation you've ever been on?

A. In 2005 I was able to go to the Bahamas for an entire week for my grandson's wedding.

Q. Tell us about your first kiss

A. The 1st one I remember was from my Dad who kissed me goodbye when I left for Nursing School.

Note from Lucy - *"I was born in 1926 and raised on a farm 5 miles away from a very small town. I was married in 1951. My husband Gordon passed away 30 years ago. Gordon was a truck driver and we had 6 children: 2 boys and 4 girls. I will be 93 years old this year in November"*



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Norgard Court Apartments

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651-414-9460

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Anonymous Poet

Sadly, The Anonymous Poet did NOT slip one of their lyrical works in the office door this month. If anyone knows how to get in touch with this polished verse-maker please let them know: we would love to see another



submission.

Tenant Corner

In this section we will address tenant concerns, complaints, and compliments. Please stop by the office if you would like something added to the July edition of Norgard News. Together we make Norgard a great place to live, by respecting everyone's privacy, independence, and comfort of their home.

*Welcome to Norgard, Cherie Williams in #119.

*Completed Work Order requests must be placed in the box labeled "Work Order Requests" that is located on the table outside the office door. **Do not** put your work orders in the office door slot.

*We are working on starting automatic electronic bank transfers for rent payments every month. If this is something, you'd be interested in please stop by the office.

*Rent checks will be delivered to the home office for processing each month on the 6th and the 15th. Please be sure to have your check to the office before the 15th of every month to avoid any late fees.

*The recycle bin next to the mailboxes is for recyclable paper only. This is not a trash can.

*Window cleaning. All exterior windows for the entire building will be cleaned on July 11th at 8am. Brennan will be removing the screens from your apartment on Wednesday July 10th. If you wish to have the insides of your windows cleaned please stop by the office.

CARETAKER POSITION AVAILABLE

We are looking to fill a caretaking position here at Norgard. No previous experience as a caretaker is necessary BUT there are some minimum requirements. Please call Amy at the office for more details on this available position. 651-777-5020



Please join us for cake & BINGO

Tuesday July 9th at 1:30pm

Happy JULY Birthday to:

7th Mike #102

12th Sandy #304

16th Peg #208

17th Judy #115

24th Donna Mae #117



July Crafting Event

Painting mini birdhouses and lighthouses.

All tenants are
welcome to join us.

Thursday June 25th at
10am



All materials
furnished



Memories Are Ours Forever. By Jane Hirdler

Anytime there is a vacant apartment it means that we have lost a neighbor or friend. In reality we have lost a family member. We are not only a multi-resident building but we are a community. This makes us a family.

We may not always be in unity with customs, values, religions or opinions but we are never the less a family. Like families we laugh, cry and socialize together. We also argue. This is a family. That's what families do.

Recently we have had three of our family members move. They have left a large hole in our lives. I miss them and think of them daily. I am sure that you feel the same.

INEZ – Inez lived on third floor for many years and always wears a smile. She would come down to visit with us. She attended as many of our functions as her health allowed. No matter what she always has a smile for everyone. She got me addicted to egg rolls from the China Chef place on McKnight and hwy 36. She has wonderful children and they give her joy and emotional support.

VERN- There is only 2 words to describe Vern. He is a Total Sweetheart. Vern is another person who I have never seen without a smile. Vern would also surprise various residents with his home-made greeting cards for all occasions. It brings a smile to my face every time I think of Vern. As his health declined, I know he was more confined to his apartment but always brought a huge ray of sunshine when we would see him. Vern always had a kiss for me. Wrapped in a little foil but a kiss anyway. He would shower us gals with these kisses. He would say, "Can I give you a little kiss?"

DELORIS- I lived on the same floor as Deloris until I moved to the third floor. I would see her occasionally but never really got to know her. I always felt she looked down on me but that was because she is so TALL and I am so short. Deloris got along well with everyone. Several times on a Saturday night I had to go and pound on her door. When she came to the door, I would always plead with her to come play 500. A few times she tried to decline because she was already in her nightgown but after I begged long enough, she would come down and fill out the table. She was a darn good 500 player too.

GONE BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN

Recently we have lost three of our beloved friends here at Norgard. I think of each and every one of them a lot. I know you do too. It is very hard but time may dull some of the sorrow but it will never take away the wonderful memories I have of each of them. I don't want to keep repeating myself but all three of the following are also Total Sweethearts.

SALLY- When I lived on 1st floor Sally and Ray lived right across the hall with her little dog Monty. We hit it off right away. Maybe part of it is the fact that I love animals and Monty is so cute. Sally was about my size but a lot cuter than me. At first, I was jealous but her sweet personality and happy face would win over the Grinch that ripped off Christmas. She just had this aura of happiness around her. Sally's health declined and then near the end of her life she was unable to come out of her apartment. Her family was with her and Ray right till the final moments. I am completely awe-struck of the support she received from their children. What a lovely lovely family. I think that was because they were raised by such wonderful loving parents.

LEO- After I moved from 1st floor to the 3rd I live across the hall from Leo and his wife, Helengrace. Leo was another one who always had a friendly face and a smile. He never failed to say hello when we saw each other. I will miss Leo's sense of humor. It makes me smile right now as I think about him. It also makes me sad

that I didn't get to know him that well. I didn't get to know Helengrace that well either till Leo's health declined. It is a lesson hard learned for me. Take advantage of the time we have to count our blessings, enrich and build the friendships that are there for the taking.

CONRAD- aka CONNIE- This is another opportunity I have lost to get to know a great person. Conrad would come to most of our functions but as his health declined rapidly, I would see him only once in the while. I remember him saying that he wasn't going to die till he got good and ready. My last memory of Conrad was when he made it down to the last time Mike and I entertained here at Norgard. When I entertain part of my act is to sing a slow song and go flirt with one or more of the guys in the audience. I went up to Conrad and kinda snuggled up to him and sang to him. He got this big grin on his face and said thank you. I will always remember that.

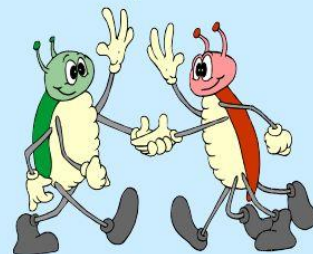
I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the residents and families that have been friends and have been there for Inez, Vern, Deloris, Sally, Leo and Conrad.



A Recipe for Friendship

You will need:

- a pinch of happiness
- one handful of kindness
- two spoonfuls of gentleness
- three cups of sharing
- a teaspoonful of helpfulness
- four heaped tablespoons of laughter
- a bowl of smiles
- a sprinkling of cheerfulness
- and stir in some love.



Method:

- Mix all these together. Then you will have the perfect friend.