



**July—September 2019**

*From the campus director...*

**Nathan Purifoy**

Greetings from Baptist Village of Owasso! We had our Volunteer Appreciation event in May and had a great time. We were entertained by a magician, and I'm still trying to figure out how he got so many bananas to come out of his hat. Ha! I want to congratulate Winnie Asher and Patty Lett, this year's recipients of the Servant's Heart Award. We also recognized two non-residents with the award – Leslie and Paige Everett, a mother and daughter who serve together weekly in Evergreen. These four ladies are such a blessing to us, and there are so many of you who serve in various ways every day. We are grateful for all of you who serve! Remember that, "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ." Colossians 3:23,24 (ESV). God sees you and loves you!

A little more on this...I was reading recently in Colossians, and had a question. Paul, who wrote the letter to the Colossians, had never met them, but his heart was for them. In Chapter 2 he talks about a great struggle he has for them. He says, "For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at Laodicea and for all who have not seen me face to face..." Colossians 2:1 (ESV). So I asked myself the question, what great struggle could he be having for them, if he had never met them? Then it dawned on me. One of the things he was doing for them was praying for them. So remember that prayer is a very powerful way for us to make a difference in others' lives!

Well, we are on the heels of our annual Patriotic Celebration and have a great service lined out. This year's event is 10:30 am on July 3. We'll hear from the Village Choir, and enjoy a guest speaker as well. Afterwards, a special lunch of burgers cooked on the outside grill will be served in the dining room. We hope you'll come celebrate with us! And while you're at it, bring a friend or family member!

Thank you for making your home here with us at Baptist Village. May God bless you!



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**WELCOME to the Baptist Village Family!**

**Evergreen**

Wanda A.	Eugene H.	Bonnie S.	Ruby J.
Carl W.	Carla B.	Judy S.	Geneva H.
Ronald C.	Jimmy S.	Deanna S.	Yvonne P.
James F.	Margaret B.	Howard S.	Berenice M.
Virginia P.	Marilyn K.	Joan D.	Lois C.
Carolyn B.	Patty B.	Marvin C.	Mary B.
Reba D.	Joanne D.	David M.	Pauline R.
Alex J.	Celia M.	Patsy C.	Maureen M.
James S.	Myrtle B.	Syble D.	

**Liberty Place**

Peggy H.  
Glenda H.  
Gloria L.  
**Pinecrest**  
Jeanette P.

**Oakdale**

Jack B.  
Myong C.  
Marilyn S.  
Gordon H.

**Maple Leaf**

Wayne C.  
Sherron H.  
Carol D.  
**Dogwood**  
Larry S.

**Unity Square**

Mary S.



**Neighborhood Ice Cream Socials**

Dogwood/Oakdale

Wednesday, September 4th

Oakdale Courtyard

1:30pm

Pinecrest

Wednesday, September 18th

Pinecrest Courtyard

1:30pm

The ice cream socials are provided by Entrusted Hearts. If you are unable to attend your social, we will bring yours to you.

Your neighborhood Ice Cream Social is coming to you soon!

The Ice Cream Social for the Duplexes has been rescheduled for Wednesday, July 10 at 1:30.

**Friendship Luncheon**

Everyone is welcome to attend our monthly potluck! This is a great opportunity to meet new friends and fellowship together.

Bring your favorite dish and your own serving spoon.

Dining Services will provide the main entrée.

Thursday, July 18th at 11:45 am

Redbud Dining Room

We enjoyed the preaching of George Marty Brock at this year's revival in June. On the last day, he brought his horse, DAWG, and showed us some roping tricks!



**Memorials**

We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to the families and friends of:

**Liberty Place**

Doris Barnett

**Duplexes**

Dale Foster

**Maple Leaf**

Wilma "Billie" Kline

**Unity Square**

Sondra Day

**Evergreen**

Henrietta D. Patsy C.

Shirley S. Gwen A.

June H.

Merylene C.

Myrtle H.

Donna K.



**Learning Center Memorials**

**Wilma Kline** - *The Patient One* by Shelly Gray from the Village Residents

**Anna Jean Green** - *Miss Julia Takes the Wheel* by Ann B. Boss from the Village Residents

**Audrey Hutchings** - *Long Road to Mercy* by David Baldacci from the Village Residents

**Doris Barnett** - *The Cherished Quilt* by Shelly Gray from the Village Residents

**Dale Foster** - *The Redemption* by David Baldacci from the Village Residents



## Friends Team Update

Kasey Davis, our Resident Services Director, has been given a wonderful opportunity to grow within Baptist Village Communities! She is taking on a regional role, with responsibilities related to tours and marketing for four area Baptist Village campuses. We'll still see her around here as Owasso is one the campuses she'll be focused on. Please join us in congratulating Kasey!

Julie Duncan has served as our Life Enrichment Director for nearly two years, and has felt God's call into a new ministry. We are **very** sad to see her go, but understand that the Lord is guiding her into a new place of service. Please stay tuned for details about a going away party for Julie. We will miss her greatly!

We are also very happy to announce that the person who is stepping into the role of Life Enrichment Director is none other than our very own, Sarah Joyce! Sarah is very well suited for the job and has already been serving as a key member of the Life Enrichment Team, as someone you all know and love! So please join us as we congratulate Sarah!

We are also very pleased to announce that Amber Lindsey has joined our Resident Services Team as our new Neighborhood Services Coordinator in Unity Square. Amber has been serving with excellence on the Friends Team in Entrusted Hearts, and has now transitioned into this new position. She is a great fit for this new role! Please join us in welcoming Amber!



Thank you!



Servant's Heart Honorees Leslie & Paige Everett pictured with Julie and Alaina.



Servant's Heart Honoree Winnie Asher pictured with Julie and Alaina.



Servant's Heart Honoree Patty Lett pictured with Mitzi

Come and join us in the Redbud Dining Room for

\$2 Tuesday Biscuits & Gravy

Tuesday, July 2nd

7:30am to 9:30am





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It is an awe inspiring thought to realize that God created the entire world. In fact, when He saw what He had created, He called it "good." As a matter of fact, the first time He said something wasn't good was when he saw that Adam was alone. Genesis 2:18 states, *"The Lord God said, 'It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him.'"*

This is a principle that we see in the life of a Christian. God never intended for us to isolate ourselves from others. He created us for fellowship. His desire was that we have an intimate relationship with Him, and that we also have edifying relationships with other believers (Hebrews 10:24-25). This is why when we are lonely, we are instructed to first seek the Lord, and then to turn to friends and our loved ones.

In fact, one of our greatest blessings from God in this life is having godly friends. Godly friendships are especially helpful in times of intense grief and heartbreaking loss. These friends can comfort us, give us godly counsel, and help us heal... especially when we experience loss. It is often our first inclination to withdraw and grieve alone. But this isn't good. This is the time when we need interaction and involvement... with the Lord, and with others.

In other words, loneliness is remedied by the company of loved ones and friends who will encourage and comfort us. Remember, we were created for fellowship. So let's get involved with activities and Life Enrichment events taking place on campus. In the long run, you'll be glad you did.

It's something to think about...



Eastwood Baptist Church's Gloryland Transfer Men's Group performed for their last time at Unity Square on June 20th. The group has been performing at Baptist Village of Owasso for over fifteen years and were presented with the Dedicated Volunteer Award. The Gloryland Transfer has left a legacy at Baptist Village and will be missed!

