



Village News



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Hello Residents

For many, Thanksgiving is a time to reconnect with family members, whether they live near or far. It offers a precious opportunity to create lasting memories, share stories, and strengthen family ties. The laughter and camaraderie that permeates the day, leaves a mark on the heart.

Thanksgiving also serves as a reminder of the importance of giving back to the community. Many engage in charitable activities, volunteering at local shelters, donating to food drives, or extending a helping hand to those in need. These acts of kindness exemplify the true essence of Thanksgiving. Now ask yourself this question, what are you thankful for?

Also, we would like to welcome our new team member Erica Pines, she is our new Leasing and Sales Consultant. When you have a moment stop by and say hello.

We have several important dates for this month and next month. Please mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 22nd for our Thanksgiving Brunch and Saturday, December 16th for our Annual Christmas party. Look forward to seeing all of you there.

Last month Mayor Greimel was kind enough to visit our community to answer your questions. If you need to contact The Pontiac City Hall here's the contact information.

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Thanks Tracy



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Office News

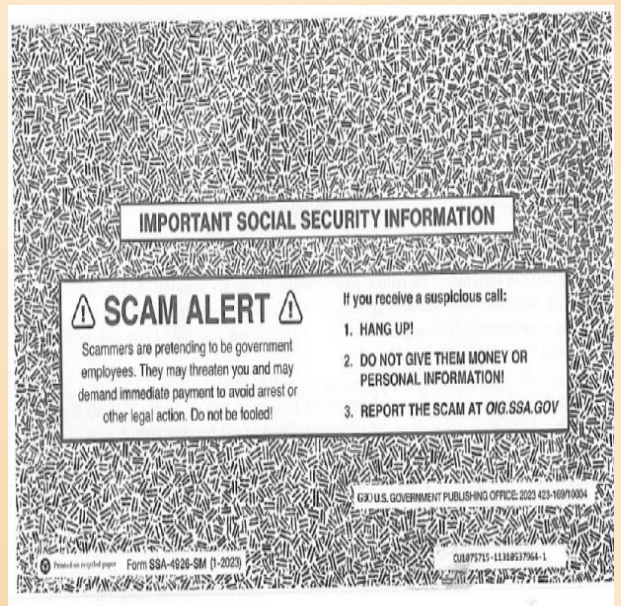
Sharon Benton & Stephanie Daniel
Administrative/Receptionist

Everyone will be receiving this in the mail from Social Security Administration office between now and December. This is your Social Security Award Letter, that indicates your income for the upcoming year, 2024. **PLEASE** do not throw this away, keep it in a safe place, or bring it to the office so that we can copy it and put it in your file.

BENEFICIARY'S NAME: [REDACTED]

Your Social Security benefit will increase by 8.7% in 2023 because of a rise in the cost of living. You can use this letter as proof of your benefit amount if you need to apply for food, rent, or energy assistance. You can also use it to apply for bank loans or for other business. Keep this letter with your important financial records.

How Much You Will Get	
Your monthly benefit before deductions	[REDACTED]
Deductions:	
Medicare Medical Insurance (If you did not have Medicare as of November 17, 2022 or if someone else pays your premium, we show \$0.00)	[REDACTED]
Medicare Prescription Drug Plan (We will notify you if the amount changes in 2023. If you did not elect withholding as of November 1, 2022, we show \$0.00)	[REDACTED]
U.S. Federal tax withholding	[REDACTED]
Voluntary Federal tax withholding (If you did not elect voluntary tax withholding as of November 17, 2022, we show \$0.00)	[REDACTED]
After we take any other deductions, you will receive the payment you are due for December 2022 on or about January 18, 2023.	[REDACTED]



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Maintenance News

Rick Petrella/Maintenance Supervisor

Hello Resident

Well hello to all of the wonderful residents of The Village of Oakland Woods. My name is Rick Petrella and I am the new Maintenance Supervisor for the property. Since I have been on the property for several weeks now, I have had the opportunity and the pleasure of meeting so many of our wonderful residence. And it does warm my heart to hear how you the residents enjoy and appreciate living at Oakland Woods. Certainly it is a special place and I look forward to working hard to keep everyone as comfortable and safe as possible.

Now with regards to maintenance let me share with you the following. We will be removing your old Furnace filter and replacing them with new ones in the very near future. Keep your eyes open for a notice per the timing of that task. Additionally, we will be having a new vendor for snow removal this year. Rest assured I will be working diligently to make sure the snow and ice are properly managed to keep you the residents and our staff safe this winter.

I do look forward to meeting anyone whom I haven't already met and I thank all for your patience as I learn more of the needs of the Village.

Rick Petrella

Service News

*Sue Carney & Terri Price
Service Coordinators*

Greetings from your Service Coordinators: Sue Carney and Terri Price



November is a time we often associate with family and feasting on delicious food. As we prepare for the tradition of “Thanksgiving,” let us remain mindful to appreciate and remain thankful for blessings large or small.

Upcoming Presentations:

Monday, November 6th – Join us for an interactive session on, “Let us Give Thanks” with speakers Debra & Ken Dixon at 11:30 a.m. in the community center

Wednesday, November 8th – Deputy LaBree McCrae will speak on Driving Safety tips at 11:00 a.m. in the community center

Don’t forget to mark your calendar to attend our Thanksgiving Brunch

Please sign-up in the activities book for events you would like to attend

A few November observances to note:

National Family Caregivers Month <https://ncoa.org/page/national-family-caregivers-month>

National Diabetes Month <https://diabetes.org>

Native American Heritage Month <https://www.nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov/>



We know how much Wellness means to our community. The Village of Oakland Woods is looking to fill the Wellness Coordinator position. If you know someone that may be interested, please go to pvm.org/careers and search Wellness Coordinator, Pontiac location.



Hillary's Mindful Movement Class is back on Monday, Wednesday & Friday class starts at 10:30 each day.

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The Village of Oakland Woods Thanksgiving brunch will be held on Wednesday, November 22nd starting at 11:00 in the Dining Hall. You must sign up at the office not later than Friday, November 17th.

The resident sponsored Dessert, Coffee and Conversation last month was such a delicious success that a Pot Luck luncheon is being planned for January. Watch the next newsletter for further details.



Birthday Celebration!

The Birthday party will be held on Thursday, November 16th @ 1:00pm. Join us in the Community Room for refreshment, bingo and prizes

November Birthday's

Sylvia Beaudry 11/5

Dorothy Woodmore 11/11

Laura Davenport 11/19

Patricia Brooks 11/20

Frances King 11/25

Jackie Neal 11/29

Jill Winter 11/6

Mary Gonzales 11/12

Carol Sweeney 11/19

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Roy Jenik 11/29

Linda Smith 11/8

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November 2023

Large Calendars are Available
at the Activities Table



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 10:30 Fitness Class - 11:30 Village Chorus	2 10:30 Pop-up Pantry	3 9:00 Hollywood 10:30 Fitness Class / 11:00 Sprout	4
5	6 10:30 Fitness Class - 11:30 Let us Give Thanks with Debra & Ken Dixon	7 10:00 God's Word & Prayer	8 10:30 Fitness Class - 11:00 Driving Safety Tips - 1:00 Village Chorus	9 9:00 Meijer	10 10:30 Fitness Class/ 11:00 Sprout	11
12	13 10:30 Fitness Class	14 10:00 God's Word & Prayer	15 10:30 Fitness Class - 11:30 Village Chorus - Focus Hope pick-up 12:00 noon	16 10:30 Pop-up Pantry	17 9:00 Hollywood 10:30 Fitness Class/11:00 Sprout	18
19	20 10:30 Fitness Class - 1:00 Coloring & Socializing	21 9:00 Walmart - 10:00 God's Word & Pray - 11:30 Village Chorus	22 11:30 Thanksgiving Luncheon	23 Office Closed For Thanksgiving	24 Office Closed for Black Friday Sales	25
26	27 10:30 Fitness Class	28 10:00 God's Word & Prayer	29 10:30 Fitness Class - 11:30 Village Chorus	30 10:30 Pop-up Pantry	1 10:30 Fitness Class/ 11:00 Sprout	2
3	4 10:30 Fitness Class	Notes				

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Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation serves Michigan seniors of all faiths by raising essential funds to support the mission of Presbyterian Villages of Michigan for the greatest needs of our residents. Your gift to Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation is truly an investment in our residents' lives. For more information on how you can help Michigan seniors, call Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation at **248-281-2040** or visit www.pvmfoundation.org

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