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The Senior Advocate.

By Lynn Alexander,
Senior VP & Chief Marketing Officer

SCHEMES, SCAMS & SWINDLES

I have said for many years that for every dollar you make there are thousands of swindlers lining up to steal it from you! If only people used their cleverness for good, the world would be a better place. However, since that is not likely to happen, we need to protect ourselves and out-manuever these scoundrels. Here are some of the latest issues and what to do about them:

CAN YOU HEAR ME? - In this gambit, when you answer the phone a voice on the other end will ask: "Can you hear me?" Do not answer. **HANG UP IMMEDIATELY!** What they will do if you answer "Yes" is tape record your voice and use it to scam you by acting as if you are saying yes to a number of false transactions. Some savvy consumers have gotten to the point (me included) where we monitor calls on Caller ID and don't pick up for any number we do not recognize. If the call is important enough and legit, the person can leave a message for you.

FamilyTree.Now - This is a search site that gives information about you and your family members. Although the original intent of this site was most likely innocent and helpful in nature, it has been reported that it is being used for nefarious purposes by bad people. There is an opt out. Go to the site, get your information and then go to the privacy section. They will tell you how to opt out. Don't let these scoundrels ruin you financially. Be clever in a good way to offset their cleverness for evil.

PROTECT YOURSELF!



The Village of
Mill Creek

A SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

Managed by Presbyterian Villages of Michigan

Look for PVM on:





AGE OUT LOUD!

Michigan's Everyone's aging, but who is listening?

Be the wake-up call! Your backing and your voice = a variety of services, safe housing for a wide range of older adults and putting veterans first.

YOU and PVM: we're up against a cultural indifference to the elderly.

It sounds harsh, but it's true.

Think about it:

"Over the hill." "Senior moment." "Past your prime."

Those are pretty rough words about older adults—and we hear them, or even say them without batting an eye.

You have the power to change that indifference and make this state a great place to live at any age.

Every time you introduce someone new to PVM, or you make a gift, you're bringing aging out of the shadows. You're making it possible for you and your peers of all income levels, backgrounds and needs to **AGE OUT LOUD**. This month is Older American's Month, so **raise your voices and spread the word**.

World: listen up!

If you have any questions or comments, please contact us at 248-281-2040 or pvmfoundation@pvm.org.

Thank you!

Paul J. Miller, CFRE

****P.S. YOUR IMPACT: In 33 Michigan counties, there are now more older adults than school-aged children. HUGE when you consider that those older adults will stay as many kids grow up and move away.****

* "The Age Wave: A Call to Action" Thomas B. Jankowski

It's Your Life. Live It Well.

By Tom Wyllie,
Director of Wellness

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



“Vee Eye See Tee Oh Are Why”*

is that your Village’s battle cry? If you’re having a challenge deciphering the battle cry, try reading it again but this time read it out loud. So, is it your Village’s battle cry? Is your Village ready for this year’s Village Victory Cup?

Scheduled for Friday, June 23rd this year’s event is being held at the Ford Community and Performing Arts Center in Dearborn. At 11:00 am sharp, PVM Villages from across Southeast Michigan will gather together at this location to compete for the coveted Village Victory Cup travelling trophy. To ensure everyone has the energy they need to compete, lunch will be served from 11:15 – 11:45 am. The games themselves will begin promptly at noon.

If you’re not familiar with the Village Victory Cup, it consists of a series of competitive events that include a puzzle building competition, a walking race, a lip sync battle, a photo contest, a beanbag toss, a timed basketball shoot and more. You earn points for your Village by simply coming to the event and cheering them on. You earn more points if you compete in the events and you earn even more points if you finish first, second, or third in an event. At the end of the day, the Village that scores the most points wins. To learn how you can join your Village’s team, contact your Administrator.

**battle cry = Victory*

SERVICE EXCELLENCE



Presbyterian Villages of Michigan (PVM) is committed to provide excellent services to the elders we serve, their families and to each other. The vision of Service Excellence at PVM includes service excellence standards for all employees to show our commitment to be a great place to live and to work. The purpose of these standards is to support continuous improvement in the service PVM provides. The service standards of excellence are built on four core values: Respect, Relationship, Listening and Accountability. These values serve as a standard against which every action and thought can be measured and supports a culture where team members can share their best work, their gifts and talents.

Happy Mother's Day!
Sunday May 14th

Announcements

❖ Resident Activity Meetings

The resident activity committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month in the community room from 3-4pm

❖ Bible Study – Every Friday 2pm in the community room

❖ BINGO - is held in the community room the last Thursday of Every month at 2pm

❖ Health Screening & Exercise Group –Every Wednesday at 10:30a.m. located the community room

Don't forget!!

GAME NIGHT the 1st Friday & 3rd Saturday of every month at 6pm in the community room

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Ann Pattok 5-15

Pat Cox 5-28

Richard Hoenecke 5-30

Happy Mother's Day!
To all our Mill Creek
Mother's. Wishing you
a wonderful day!



Administrators Column

Sunshine & Warmer Weather! Makes everyone 😊

Make sure to check out our calendar for all the fun events in May. Should you have any suggestions/ideas for resident activity, please join us at one of our monthly resident activity meetings. Everyone is welcome and we are always looking for new ideas and resident input.

Our Annual Friends & Family Fundraiser was a success. A BIG shout out to the Mill Creek Board! Thank you so much for all generosity not only during the month of April but every month. It's because of board members like you that we were able to not only reach our fundraising goal of \$1,000, we went on to reach our "stretch" goal of \$1,150.00! And, even better as of April 28th we had raised 1,240.00, and wait there's more.....The final count is still to come! WOW 😊

Thank you, to the many residents that gave a donation and helped during our ice cream social the month of April.

Jennifer
Administrator

Happy Memorial Day! 😊

MAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Cooking w/Jackie 4pm	2	3 Health Screening & Exercise 10:30	4	5 Bible Study 2pm Game Night 6pm	6
7	8	9	10 Health Screening & Exercise 10:30	11	12 Bible Study 2pm	13
14	15	16	17 Health Screening & Exercise 10:30	18	19 Bible Study 2pm	20 Game Night 6pm
21	22	23	24 Health Screening & Exercise 10:30	25 BINGO! 2pm	26 Bible Study 2pm	27
28	29 Memorial Day Office closed	30	31 Health Screening & Exercise 10:30 Project Fresh Coupons 1pm			

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of Michigan
Mission Statement**

Guided by our
Christian heritage,
we serve seniors of
all faiths and create
new possibilities for
quality living.

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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. A gift to Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation is truly an investment in our residents. 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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