# Belmont Village Scene



Our Lunch Bunch group enjoying each others company after a good meal at Walker Brothers!



Our June Wii Bowling Winners!



Men at Work! Michael & Bart folded and labeled the newsletters!



Chuck, Joyce, & Joan enjoyed making their patriotic flag craft!



Nina & Nora had fun! Nora's daughter Toni (middle) assisted with the craft!



Jane with her flip-flop sun catcher!



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#### Dear Friends,

Irv Reiner is so special he was doubled! Irv has a twin brother, Sam. When Irv's mother delivered Sam, her mother, Irv's grandmother, was the midwife. His grandmother had to call the doctor back, because Sam was 10 minutes old and Irv was yet to be delivered!

When Irv was 16, a 16-year-old girl with curly brown hair wearing bobby sox moved into the neighborhood. Irv noticed her right away and thought, "She is for me." Irv's twin, Sam, asked Sara out. It did not last. Irv's best friend asked her to prom (Irv did not have the money to take her), and later Irv's best friend also proposed to Sara. She turned him down.

Sara and Irv held hands, made up dance routines they tried out at the Rainbow or Aragon ballroom. He said he never proposed; they both assumed they would marry. Turns out Irv's twin, Sam, was going to get married and said, "We were bar mitzvahed together; why not get married together?"

Irv and Sara were married 54 years. Irv worked for H. Kramer for 54 years as a metallurgist. Irv and Sara had three sons: Robert, Rusty and Stuart. Their best family vacation was taking the El Capitan train from Chicago to California.

The boys had a great time, and because the family did not fly, Irv saved \$100.

Irv's son, Stuart, says that his father was an extremely hard worker, working a variety shifts, late nights and in extreme temperatures (sometimes in front of a 2000-degree furnace for hours on a hot summer day). Irv wanted to provide for his family; when he wasn't at work, he was working around the home.

Irv became a caregiver for his wife, who had developed dementia. He became an amazing cook and housekeeper. Irv cared for his wife and the household for 11 years. Stuart says that Irv was admired for his strength and grit.

Irv loved Italian food, and his eggplant parmigiana became his specialty. The family teasingly called Irv, "Vito." You could not ask for a finer man. His talents could not be contained in one person; he had to have a twin!

-Maureen





# **Resident Committees**

President: Bart Tasca Vice-President: Irv Reiner

The Resident Council meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. in the Town Hall. The Resident Council officers encourage everyone to attend. If you would like to speak with one of the above members, please ask for their numbers at the concierge desk. The next meeting will be Aug. 25.

# Transportation Schedule

Sunday: 9 a.m. Church

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Neighborhood Outing

Monday: 11 a.m.
Circle of Friends Outing

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Doctors' Appointments

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. Jewel or Walgreens

Thursday: 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m. Doctors' Appointments

Friday: 11 a.m.
Assisted Living Outing

Saturday: 10:30 a.m. Scenic Drive



Chuck

#### **Our MBA Member Highlight!**

Chuck is our featured MBA (Mind, Body, Awareness) member! He has earned 66 pins by achieving his monthly goals since Jan. 25, 2010. Wii Bowling is Chuck's favorite MBA activity because he is "good at it"! He also enjoys Bocce Ball & Think Tank. When not in activities, he is rooting on the CUBS! He loves to keep his friends informed of the upcoming menu meals and enjoys rating the cheeseburgers at Lunch Bunch outings. Chuck says Dover Straits is the best! His favorite entertainer is Eddie Korosa with his Polish music.

#### **MBA Raffle Winners!**

We honored 32 residents with pins and applause for achieving their monthly goals in June! Their names were put in a raffle - here are some of our June monthly winners and their prizes:



Joyce won a figurine and Ray chose a new pair of socks!



Lilli & Emma enjoyed winning!



Four Generations!!
Barney and her daughter,
granddaughter, and
great-granddaughter!

#### Hear Ye Hear Ye!

Please donate your
newspapers to Belmont Village.
Our drive will continue
through Aug. 24. Please drop
them off at the concierge's desk.
Our residents will be donating
them to the Orphans of the
Storm. The animal shelter goes
through several papers daily
and has asked us to help. We
thank you in advance!

#### **Belmont Choir News!**

Our first Belmont Choir
Performance was a talented hit!
We had 22 residents sing and
perform. They entertained the
other Belmont residents along
with many family members who
came to cheer on their loved ones.
They were fabulous with their
props and movements that went
along with many of the songs. We
had a men's group solo along with
a Harry Carey impersonator
himself!



Bart as our very own "Harry Carey"!



They sang some patriotic songs!



And several summertime songs!

Everyone had so much FUN. We are planning a holiday show!

#### **Walking Balance:**

One of our exercises in Walking Balance is balloon volley where our residents really have fun using their core muscles!



#### **Celebrate Summer**

Although it's true that August doesn't have any official holidays, there are plenty of moments to celebrate. You can create your own "Me" Day or observe American Adventures Month, Jerry Garcia's birthday (mmm, a scoop of Cherry Garcia would sure hit the spot), Happiness Happens Month, Work Like a Dog Day (Aug. 1), National Night Out (the first Tuesday in August), or the premiere of Candid Camera. Whichever you choose, we hope your day is one filled with joy, wonder, and laughter.

### **Young at Heart**

Here's a good excuse to express your inner child once again—the first Sunday in August is National Kids Day, an opportunity to celebrate children and all their spirit, sponsored by KidsPeace, a children's crisis charity. Spend the day at play.

### **August Happenings**

#### **Lunch Bunch**

8/7 IHOP
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8/14 Long Grove Café

8/21 Tap House Grill

8/28 Culver's

#### **Special Events**

4 Firedworks! Ceramics

8/6 John Boda Presents:

"Gene Kelly"

8/11 Chicago Historical Museum Outing

8/11 Men's Club: Blackjack

8/13 Wii Tournament

8/18 Community Service Craft

8/18 "Belmont Culinarian"

8/19 Chicago Botanical Gardens Tram Tour

8/20 W/C & Walker Clinic

8/23 Polynesian Luau!

8/25 Food For Thought

8/25 Resident Council

8/26 MBA Mtg. & Lunch

8/26 Paxxon Talk

8/27 Gospel Songs & Jojo

8/27 Community Service: Make and Deliver Dog Treats

#### **Entertainment**

8/2 Gina Nunez8/5 Alex Talbott

8/9 Mihai Vlad

8/12 Jae Wilkins

8/16 Nikko Naidenov

8/19 John Boda

8/23 Polynesian Review Luau Dancers

8/26 Eddie Korosa

8/30 Rick Esser



# August 2015

TH Town Hall FP Front Parlor

Outing

Library

■ COF Residents 

★ COF & AL Residents Invited

BP On Back Patio

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Look What's New in August:  * Belmont Culinarian  * John Boda Presents "Gene Kelly"  * Chicago Botanical Gardens Outing  * A Trip To The Chicago Historical Museum  * Watercolor Art & Button Ribbon Note Cards For Community Service Sale  *Make & Distribute Homemade Dog Treats		Newspaper Drive:  We are holding a newspaper drive through Aug. 24. Please leave them at the Concierge's desk.  Our residents will be taking the newspapers over to the Orphans of the Storm Animal Shelter when they deliver their homemade dog treats this month.  Thank you in advance!			W	10:00 FP Exercise 10:30 FP 10:30 O Scenic Drive 2:00 TH Bingo ★ 3:15 TH Poker/Blackjack Cards 6:00 FP Board Games	
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## **August Birthdays**

### **Resident Birthdays**

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8/3	Martha S.
8/6	Louise B.
8/7	Lillian W.
8/8	Marilyn K.
8/12	Betty D.
8/13	Louise M.
8/18	Susanne M.
8/20	Harry H.
8/22	Joe O.
8/24	Christine L.



#### **Staff Birthdays**

8/17	Jimmy F.
8/18	Ewa R.
8/22	Adela R.
8/26	Mae O.
8/26	Jolanta B.
8/29	June B.

#### **Staff Anniversaries**

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10 YEARS	Nancy F.
7 YEARS	Claudia C.
3 YEARS	Theresa V.
2 YEARS	Romar C.
2 YEARS	Vivian M.
2 YEARS	Lisa W.
1 YEAR	Beth B.
1 YEAR	Omari D.



#### **Circle of Friends**

Here you see two members of Circle 2, Joyce and Beverly, working on a patriotic craft project. We do a craft project daily in all Circle of Friends groups to promote hand/eye coordination, task sequencing skills, fine motor skills, and creative expression. Additionally, it is a nice opportunity for the group members to socialize together and touch on additional topics relating to the theme of the day.



### **Neighborhood News**

We continue to follow a very structured routine including exercise, crafts, mental workouts, small group discussions and games. We also take time to get outside and enjoy the nice days. Here is Marjorie & Beverly engaged in a game of Bingo and Sharon and John helping to weed the garden. Finally, please remember to RSVP to the front desk for the Neighborhood BBQ.





Felix Tinoco

## **Our July Employee of the Month**

Felix Tinoco, our pal, is our July Employee of the Month! She was nominated by a resident for being quick to respond, courteous, respectful, and helpful. Felix was recognized for being so cheerful and upbeat, displaying a great sense of humor. She was also nominated by a staff member for assisting this same resident with a manicure. Felix has been with Belmont Village for 11 years; formerly she was named Employee of the Year! Congratulations, Felix!

#### **Our MBA Excursion!**

A van load of residents enjoyed crossing the state border into Wisconsin and heading to Lake Geneva. We all enjoyed a relaxing narrated boat tour around the lake filled with history and interesting facts. We were served ice cream sundaes as a refreshing treat. It was a fun, beautiful, sunny day!



Our Boat Crew: Elaine, Al, Natalie, Ruth, Bart, Nina, Ellie R., & Shirley!



Our group in front of the tour boat that we enjoyed!

#### **Think Tank**

Our residents gather weekly to be challenged with brain fitness puzzles that work different areas of their brains. They enjoy working on attention to details, memory, calculations, concentration, reasoning, and more. It's a FUN way to workout!



Lots of Brain Power!



**Ceramic Class** 

Our residents are very creative and enjoy painting ceramics.



Elaine & Fay's plates were gorgeous!



Natalie & Barney did a great job!

#### **Happy Hour!**

Our residents enjoyed our new patio furniture, gardens, refreshments, and a sing-a-long outdoors.



Violet & Rose enjoyed the day!



Shirley, Lilli, & Joe had FUN!



Ruth & Ellie enjoyed the sunshine!



Elaine & Peggy helped fill the patio with song!

