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# A Note From Rachelle

HOT, HOT, HOT! August was such a hot and humid month. Our air conditioners have been working overtime and the grass is turning brown. The multiple 100 plus days of heat have taken a toll on not only our outside environment, but on us as well. It seems like everyone is moving slower and more tired than usual.

With this extreme heat it is so easy to become dehydrated. I often see many of our residents head to the Bistro and get some coffee and tea and then sit out on the front porch. Well at least they are drinking something. But actually drinking too much coffee or tea can dehydrate us because of their high content of caffeine. The caffeine makes you go to the restroom more often so you do not retain the all-important water that you need. So next time you head to the Bistro, try some cold refreshing water instead of coffee or tea.

I also want to remind you to utilize your air-conditioner in your apartment. As we age, our skin becomes thin and we get cold more easily. But if you put on your heater because you are cold or just circulate outside air, then your body will lose water also and you can become overheated before you even realize something is wrong. You don't have to keep your apartment cold, just keep it cool.



Rachelle and Betty

### Laugh Lines: Football Frenzy

Angie's grandmother always said, "Football consists of 22 men on the field desperately in need of a rest, and 40,000 in the stands desperately in need of exercise."

Q: What did the football coach say to the broken vending machine? A: "Give me my quarterback!"

A high school football player called his coach at home. When the coach's wife informed the young man that the coach wasn't home, the player became frantic and said he had to speak to the coach right away. "Just calm down and I'll have him call you back as soon as he gets home," the coach's wife told him. "What's your number?"

The player replied, "Twenty-three." *Football season is here! Join us on Sundays to cheer on our Texans!* 



# **Resident Birthdays**

Howard DeViney	2
Jo Rene Schroeder	2
Lanece Lomonte	4
Sylvia Abercrombie	6
Fannie "Tiny" Hinrichs	6
Paula Nocita	9
Fukumi Smith	12
Caro Walker	13
Jane Kepner	15
Manuel Palmer	16
Margaret Hennike	. 19
Ann Repetti	. 19
Doyce Allen	
Norman Gerber	. 26
Effie Jean Bay	27



# **Employee Birthdays**

Jessica Henderson	1
Blessing Agbonyi	4
Rosalind Riley	4
Katie Snezhkova	5
Maria Landaverde	6
Katrin Bahramian	6
Frank Khamsini	7
Rachelle Park	16
Amarachi Ukah	17
Keda Phillips	18
Corine Goodman	18
Marcus Roberson	. 19
Shelia Laster	19
Samsoni Henry	
Tiffany Grant	24
Shelia Green	28
Phyllis Adams	28



# Let's Table Alzheimer's

Join West U in the fight against Alzheimer's disease. A donation of \$10 will earn a chance to win a gourmet picnic basket, complete with an outdoor folding table, wine and a gift card to enhance your dining experience. Stop by and see our Table of Hope now through Oct. 1. All raffle proceeds will go to the Alzheimer's Association to help with research and programs benefiting individuals and families who are struggling with this devastating disease.



September is full of fun and exciting programs. Join us this month as we celebrate National Assisted Living Week. Here are just some of the fun programs to keep an eye out for in September:

- Behind the Curtains of the Opera
- The Houston Museum of Natural Science Presentation
- Living History: Family Tree and Genealogy Presentation
- Wine Tasting
- Get Creative: Wine & Canvas
- Belmont Culinarians
- Outing to the Moody Gardens: Rainforest Pyramid
- Front Porch Travels: France
- Themed Dinner Night: Bonjour!
- Trivia Challenge Competition









Elizabeth Organ

Belmont Village & RehabCare would like to shine a bright spotlight on Ms. Elizabeth Organ. Elizabeth had a fall that injured her shoulder and foot, which resulted in limited movement, low strength and significant pain in different joints. This kept her primarily in a wheelchair and made her frequently rely on staff to help with her tasks. With therapy, Elizabeth's joint pain has decreased and she has experienced great improvement with her INDEPENDENCE. She is able to safely dress/groom herself, transfer in & out of the shower, and has improved endurance, balance and leg strength. She enjoys not being in a wheelchair anymore & not always depending on her PALS. She is a delightful resident, so we say congratulations to her!



# Bayou Wildlife Zoo

This was an adventure-filled tram ride with a wildlife guide. We saw (and fed) a variety of birds and exotic animals.



We were greeted right away by an Emu.



Lynn had a blast feeding all the different animals.



It was a beautiful and fun day!





The gang's all here ... at the zoo!

Lunch Outing to Red Robin Friday, Sept. 4, Departure: 10:30 a.m. Moody Gardens: Rainforest Pyramid Friday, Sept. 11 Departure: 9:30 a.m. Tickets: \$18 **Museum of Fine Arts** Friday, Sept. 18 Departure: 9:30 a.m. **Houston Astros Baseball** Wednesday, Sept. 23 Departure: 11 a.m. Ticket: \$35 \* Includes All You **Can Eat Items** Herman Park and Sack Lunch Friday, Sept. 25 Departure: 10:30 a.m.

#### Circle of Friends and Neighborhood

If you have questions regarding the Circle of Friends or the Neighborhood outings and activities, please contact Dave Butz.



BELMONT Pillage ASSISTED LIVING AT WEST UNIVERSITY	Septen	nber 2015		GR Great Roo JK Josephine TH Town Hall P Pool CL Center for	's Kitchen CT Card Table 2nd	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Marketplace is Open Monday- Friday 8:00 a.m 4:00 p.m.	Transportation Schedule <u>Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday</u> Doctor Appointments and Errands <u>Thursday</u> Circle of Friends Outing <u>Friday</u> Assisted Living Outing <u>Saturday</u> Neighborhood Outing and Shopping <u>Sunday</u> Church Transportation and Scenic Drives	1 9:30 P Water Aerobics 9:30 TH Tai Chi 10:30 CL MBA Club Meeting 1:00 CT Poker 1:30 TH Body Fitness 2:00 GR Glee Club Sing Along 3:00 GR New Resident Tea 7:00 TH Movie Night	9:30 TH Sit & Be Fit 10:00 B Resident Board Games 10:00 TH Tai Chi with Simone 2:00 TH Activities Roundup 3:00 TH Brain Charades w/ Dave 7:00 TH Bible Study	3   9:30 TH Sit & Be Fit   10:00 CL Audiobook Club ♣   11:00 CL New Resident Orientation   1:30 TH Body Fitness ♣   2:00 GR Back-To-School Spelling   Bee ♣   3:00 GR Wine and Cheese Social   7:00 TH Texans vs. Cowboys	4 9:30 TH Tai Chi 10:00 B Resident Bistro Games <b>10:30 O Lunch at Red Robin</b> 2:00 TH Friday Matinee: Still Alice 4:30 TH Shabbat Service <b>7:00</b> TH Movie Night	5 9:30 TH Sit & Be Fit 10:00 B Morning Bridge Group 1:15 TH Bingo 2:00 Shopping @ Target 3:30 CT Poker 7:00 TH Movie Night
9:30 TH Chair Yoga 10:00 B Coffee Club 1:00 CF Church Service 1:30 Scenic Drive 2:00 GR Trivia w/ Concierge 3:15 GR Singing w/ Henry 7:00 TH Movie Night	Labor Day 7 9:30 TH Dancercise 2:00 GR Labor Day Trivia w/ Corine 3:00 GR Special Labor Day Performance by Arce Avalon 4:00 This Week in History (Concierge) 6:00 GR Bible Stories 7:00 TH Movie Night	8 9:30 P Water Aerobics 9:30 TH Tai Chi 1:00 CT Poker 1:30 TH Body Fitness 2:00 TH Crossword Club 3:00 TH Random Ramblings w/ Rachelle 6:00 GR Piano Man	9:30 TH Sit & Be Fit 10:00 B Resident Board Games 2:00 TH Art for All 3:15 TH Front Porch Travels 7:00 TH Bible Study	10 9:30 TH Sit & Be Fit 10:00 CL Audiobook Club 11:00 CL Computer Class 1:30 TH Body Fitness 2:00 TH Think Tank 3:00 GR Wine and Cheese Social 7:00 TH Movie Night	11 9:30 TH Tai Chi 9:30 Moody Gardens: Rainforest Pyramid 10:00 B Resident Bistro Games 2:00 GR Music w/ Bob 4:30 TH Shabbat Service 7:00 TH Movie Night	12 9:30 TH Sit & Be Fit 10:00 B Morning Bridge Group 10:30 CL Poetry Club 1:15 TH Bingo 2:00 Shopping @ Dollar Store 3:30 CT Poker 7:00 TH Movie Night
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27 9:30 TH Chair Yoga 10:00 B Coffee Club <b>12:00</b> TH <b>Texans vs. Buccaneers</b> 1:00 CF Church Service 1:30 Scenic Drive 2:00 GR Trivia w/ Concierge 3:15 GR Sing Along with Henry 7:00 TH Movie Night	28 9:30 TH Dancercise 10:00 CL Audiobook Club 1:30 TH Got Balance? 2:00 B Ladies' Social 3:00 B Bon Appetit! 3:30 B Chat w/ the Chef 4:00 This Week in History (Concierge) 6:00 GR Bible Stories 7:00 TH Movie Night	29 9:30 P Water Aerobics 9:30 TH Tai Chi 1:00 CT Poker 1:30 TH Body Fitness 2:00 B Belmont Culinarians 3:30 GR Trivia w/ Katie 7:00 TH Movie Night	30 9:30 TH Sit & Be Fit 10:00 B Resident Board Games 1:30 B Mad Potter Pottery ↔ 3:30 TH Healthy Learning With Charles ↔ 7:00 TH Bible Study	Programs and outings are subject to change. Please check the daily postings for updates.		Transportation We need to adhere to our transportation schedule as much as possible. Please be advised that our drivers are unable to accept appointments earlier than 8:30 a.m. or later than 3:30 p.m. We appreciate your understanding.





<u>Church Service</u> Sundays, 1 p.m. Circle of Friends Room <u>Bible Study</u> Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Town Hall <u>Shabbat Service</u> Fridays, 4:30 p.m. Town Hall <u>Sunday Morning Church</u> <u>Transportation</u> Sign up with the Concierge.



Remembrance Service Saturday, Sept. 26 10:30 a.m. Town Hall This year we have lost friends and family members. We are having a Memorial Service in remembrance of the residents who have passed this year. We invite family members, residents and staff to join us at this time.

# **Resident Council**

Helen Copeland - President The Resident Council meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 22. \*Due to training, we have moved resident council up one week.\*



Shelly Kinsgby, PAL

#### **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

Shelly has been with Belmont for almost 2 years. She has a strong work ethic as evidenced by the way she dedicates herself to her duties and responsibilities by making sure that all of her residents are taken care of. When Shelly is not at work, she is in search of a great hamburger and fries, her favorite place to get a great burger is Whataburger. Shelly is also going to be heading back to school to finish her

nursing degree. Good luck and congratulations! *Thank you for being a part of our team.* 





Our Circle of Friends displaying our ocean-themed watercolor paintings.

August was a fantastic month for our COF residents. We got in touch with our creative side by painting wooden birdhouses and using watercolors to create ocean paintings. The following day, we framed the paintings and adorned the frames with seashells. For our outings, we ate at the Longhorn Steakhouse, took in an IMAX movie, and visited Battleship Texas. What a month! Some of our August themes in the Neighborhood included the history of Hawaii, aviation day, and left-handers day. It turns our we only have one left-handed resident in the Neighborhood and she wondered aloud why her name was not included in the list of famous southpaws!



Peggy and Bill on her birthday!



# Health

#### Living Well at Every Age

September is Healthy Aging Month, an observance created to focus attention on the positive aspects of growing older. The concept of healthy aging is that we're never too old to stop caring about ourselves, improving ourselves and living life to its fullest. By adopting this philosophy, it's no surprise that people are living longer, healthier and fuller lives than ever before.

Healthy aging focuses not only on physical and mental health, but social and spiritual aspects, as well. Exercising your body and mind, finding spiritual fulfillment, and maintaining active social ties are all part of the healthy aging process.

Celebrate this observance by beginning an exercise regimen or trying a new hobby or activity. Enhance the endeavors by inviting a friend to join you. Making the most of what life has to offer is a key to happiness that can be beneficial at any age.



# Photo Scavenger Hunt

The residents received disposable cameras and a list of items to find. More pictures displayed in the CFL. They had fun!



A server with a glass. Thanks, Derek!



Three residents sitting on the patio.



Dave Butz making a funny face.



The picture called for Rachelle and two residents. Rachelle was unavailable so Carolyn stepped in and helped us out.

# Around and About



Buffalo Soldier museum.



IMAX Theater, Walking with Dinosaurs.



We are all Belmont stars!



California Pizza Kitchen was delicious.



National Stripes Day?

# The Belmont Scene



Joe Ann and Blackie enjoying their walk around Belmont.



Sylvia enjoying her visit with our Junior League Pet Therapy program. The pups come to visit us from the Houston SPCA.



Marjorie and Jackie enjoying our community outreach project.



We shared a Coke with Jackie!



Shootin' some pool with Hollis.

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Elsie and Mary working together on the bird house craft.



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#### Belmont Village Communities

CALIFORNIA: Burbank, Encino, Hollywood, Rancho Palos Verdes, Westwood, Thousand Oaks, San Jose, Sunnyvale, San Diego, Cardiff by the Sea

ARIZONA: Scottsdale

CHICAGOLAND: Buffalo Grove, Geneva Road, Oak Park, Glenview

SOUTHERN US: Memphis, Nashville, Louisville, Atlanta—Buckhead and Johns Creek, Dallas, Austin, Houston—West University and Hunters Creek

