

The Bluffs Senior Community

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October 2022 NEWSLETTER

Resident Birthdays

- 4th- Wesley L.
- 5th- Mary D. (QC)
- 5th- Marilyn Mi.
- 11th- Kathy B.
- 12th- Bob S.
- 12th- Ruth L.
- 21st- Bobbie F.
- 25th- Myra D.

Employee Birthdays

- 10th- Mary K.
- 18th- Abbie P.
- 22nd- Jes B.

Letter from our Executive Director

October Greetings! I don't know how we can top September, we had such a fun and successful month. National Assisted Living Week was 5 stars! I'm very happy to say that with the support of Residents, Families and Staff, we raised just under \$500 for the Barbara Kettle Gundlach Center with our 1st Annual Duck Race! Our race winner, Marge K. was kind enough to donate her winnings back and we purchased \$600 in items from their wish list. It was a very generous donation, thank you to everyone that helped support this event!

The employees of Arcadia Communities were recently surveyed and for the 3rd year we've been recognized as a Great Place to Work! This is really exciting for us especially after our stretch of challenging times! We have an amazing staff and I am truly proud of them and what they all bring to our community.

October is looking to be a great month, one of my favorites in fact! I hope you all join in on the Yooper holiday, "Plaidurday" which takes place on Friday, October 7th. We'll be mad about plaid here at The Bluffs!

For those that took our Resident and Family survey, thank you so very much, we really appreciate and value your feedback!

Enjoy the colors!

~Jessica



Activity Highlights

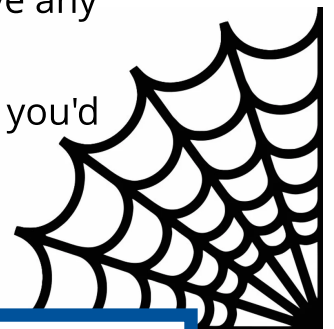
Happy October!

National Assisted Living Week was a hit and lots of joyful memories were reflected on and new ones created! We hope to continue fostering these joyful moments throughout the year! October kicks off our holiday season and I'm so excited for all that's to come! We're starting the month with a color cruise & lunch in Copper Harbor, our Spooktacular costume contest lunch on the 31st, lots of games, old time music showings, lunch and shopping outings rotating every other week, and much more! We'll get out and about as much as we can before the S**W flies!

Also, while it's very early, In the new year I will be doing another cruise month and I like to start the prep work now. If you have any location requests you'd like to "travel" to please let me know!

As always, if you ever have any concerns, or input as to what you'd like to see more of - my door is always open!

~Katelyn



Pumpkin Carving Contest



OCTOBER 25TH

Team up with a staff member to create a pumpkin masterpiece! Residents will be paired up with staff members from The Bluffs to create and carve your pumpkin. We will have a LIVE vote on Facebook and the 1st place team will win a prize!



Costume Contest & Lunch



On Monday, October 31st join us in your best costume for our annual SPOOKTACULAR Lunch! We will enjoy a Halloween lunch with many ghostly goodies and magical moments. We will vote on costumes during the lunch hour!

It is so much fun, you won't want to miss!

Pink Days



*EVERY TUESDAY IN
OCTOBER WE WILL WEAR
PINK
TO SUPPORT
BREAST CANCER
AWARENESS*



Kitchen Korner

Happy Harvest!

We will kick off October with our new Fall/Winter Menus. We have worked to improve the six week rotation to provide options that you love. Over the next few weeks as you try some of our new specials please provide me with feedback on what you like and dislike. We will offer more hearty comfort foods for the colder months as well as serving vegetables and fruits that are in season. This month we will be joined by Chef Riggs from Kentucky. He will be here to work closely with our cooks to provide further training to ensure you receive the best possible meal. Our goal is to provide the best culinary and dining experience for YOU. Please join me in my next Culinary meeting on November 21st .

-Shelly

Activity Calendar

Community Captures



HAPPY fall fall
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Employee Birthdays



Mary Kerttu

October 10th
Housekeeper

Where did you grow up?

Right here in Houghton!

What is your favorite food?

Pizza!



Abbie Parker

October 18th
Business Office Manager

What is your greatest accomplishment?

Becoming a mom!

What is your favorite thing about working at The Bluffs?

Getting to work with wonderful people every day, residents & staff!



Jes Bracco

October 22nd
Executive Director

What do you like to do in your free time?

When I'm not at the hockey rink, spend as much time outside as possible!

What are three words to describe you?

Loyal, Adventurous & Energetic

November Save The Dates



- 4th- Birthday Lunch
- 11th- Veteran's Day
- 15th- Opening Day of Deer Season
- 24th- Thanksgiving
- 25th- Black Friday



Our Amazing Team



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