

Santa Marta

A Life Care Senior Living Community

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NEW RESIDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Santa Marta is pleased to announce the 2020-2021 Resident Council members.

The officers are:

Chairman – Jon Lohmeier (pictured below)

Vice-Chairman – Jan Kramer (pictured below)

Secretary – Kaye Martin

Treasurer – Gay Woosley

The newly elected Committee Chairs are:

Food – Duane Stoskopf

Hospitality – Mary Lee Warner

Maintenance – Ed Hill

Ambassadors - Sandy Berland

Health & Wellness - Dr. Wayne Wallace

Election - Sophia Zetmeir

Congratulations to all of the new council members, and thank you for your dedication and commitment to the residents of Santa Marta Independent Living!



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Santa Marta Spotlight: Caring Concierges

They are that first smile you see when you walk into Santa Marta. The first impression, the face of Santa Marta to all who walk through the doors. Aside from being a smiling, welcoming face to greet you, our concierge team of approximately 10 associates, work diligently behind the scenes to keep Santa Marta running smoothly. Working in two shifts, 5 days a week, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Saturday & Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., their main responsibilities include a positive first impression when someone walks through the door; answering and rerouting phone calls, scheduling transportation and work orders for residents, and responding to emergencies in Independent Living. Along with these main duties they also have a multitude of additional duties they juggle throughout their day. These duties range from delivering papers, distributing mail, maintaining resident lists of phone numbers and absences from the building, making copies and watering flowers. **(Continued on Back)**



August Birthdays

- 3 Bee Hildenbrand
- 7 Amy Dodson
- 10 Jane Kelly
- 10 Janet Lillis
- 14 Mary Shields
- 18 Darleen Bertelsen
- 18 Pat Peth
- 18 Linda Weis
- 19 Susan Unteed
- 23 Shirley Ruebhausen
- 24 Naomi Kennedy
- 25 Nadine Green
- 26 JoAnn Schweitzer
- 29 Dr. George Myers



August Anniversaries

- 1 Bill & Marge Ault
- 3 Walt & Alice Russell
- 11 Eddie & Suzy Dissinger
- 16 Bob & Amy Dodson
- 17 Dr. George & Gertie Myers
- 21 Bernard & Goldie Schaefer
- 22 Jack & Norma Flanders
- 23 Duane & JoAnn Stoskopf
- 24 Ed & Celeste Hill
- 25 Dick & Jane Bruening

Active Activities

Much has happened over the last couple months here at Santa Marta, and we are excited to have more and more activities resuming. Below you can find a comprehensive breakdown of all the activities that have resumed in schedule format. We look forward to adding more as we work through this challenging time.

EVERY DAY:

10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.: Family Resident Visits (sign up at concierge desk)

ANYTIME: Library Ordering/Delivery/Pickup

ANYTIME: Crossword Puzzles, Word Searches, Sudoku, Picture Finds available in Mailroom

MONDAY:

9:00 a.m.: Flex & Stretch, Patio/DT

10:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.: Open Swim (sign up outside locker rooms) 45min increments, 4 res. Per increment

11:30 a.m.: MASS, CH (sign up in front of chapel)

2:00 p.m.: Ladies' Bible Study, Parlor (?)

TUESDAY:

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.: Fitness Center Open (sign up at concierge desk)

10:30 – 2:15 p.m.: Open Swim (sign up outside locker rooms)

11:30 a.m.: MASS, CH (sign up in front of chapel)

WEDNESDAY:

9:00 a.m.: Flex & Stretch, Patio/DT

10:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.: Open Swim (sign up outside locker rooms)

11:30 a.m.: MASS, CH (sign up in front of chapel)

THURSDAY:

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.: Fitness Center Open (sign up at concierge desk)

9:45 a.m.: Water Works, POOL (sign up outside east glass pool door)

10:30 – 2:15 p.m.: Open Swim (sign up outside locker rooms)

3:00 p.m.: Trivia, Parlor (sign up at concierge desk)

FRIDAY:

9:00 a.m.: Flex & Stretch, Patio/DT

10:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.: Open Swim (sign up outside locker rooms)

11:30 a.m.: MASS, CH (sign up in front of chapel)

1:00 p.m.: BINGO, Parlor (sign up at concierge desk)

SUNDAY:

4:00 p.m.: Favorite Films Gathering, Theater room (7 people max.)

Resuming Mass

For those in Independent living here at Santa Marta the chapel has been re-opened for Mass with communion on six days of the week. We will have Mass at **11:30 AM** on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays, at **4:00 PM** on Saturdays and **8:30 AM** on Sundays. There is no Thursday morning Mass. Attendance at Mass is limited to one day per week in order to keep the safe distancing required for re-opening. **This is for those residents in Independent Living only.** Sign up for one day per week is required so as to limit the number in the chapel at one time to 22. The sign-up sheets for independent living

residents are at the entrance to the chapel.

It is a joy to have a congregation at our Masses once again. I want to emphasize especially that the dispensation for all Catholics from the obligation of attending Mass will remain in effect until further notice. Persons with higher vulnerability, like so many of us here, those with symptoms or for any other reason are strongly encouraged to make us of this dispensation and refrain from attending in person. I would add that attendance at an outside parish is even more discouraged. Televised Mass on Channel 990 is available for those who choose not to attend in person.

The best of decisions at the present time as with yet more increasing numbers of positive tests is to stay home and stay safe.

Here at Santa Marta we all have a personal responsibility to watch out for our own health and safety and a common responsibility to watch out for the safety of our fellow residents and staff. Again, we welcome those attending one Mass per week here at Santa Marta.

- Father Frank



Wit & Wisdom

“Now came the dog days—
day after day of hot,
still summer, when for hours
at a time light seemed the
only thing that moved.”

—Richard Adams

“A dog is a window to
Mother Nature.”

—Cesar Millan

“You know, a dog can snap you
out of any kind of bad mood
that you’re in faster than you
can think of.”

—Jill Abramson

“Dogs laugh, but they laugh
with their tails.”

—Max Eastman

“I have found that when you are
deeply troubled, there are things
you get from the silent devoted
companionship of a dog
that you can get from
no other source.”

—Doris Day

“Dogs have boundless
enthusiasm but no
sense of shame. I should
have a dog as a life coach.”

—Moby

“You can say any foolish thing
to a dog, and the dog will give
you a look that says, ‘Wow,
you’re right! I never would’ve
thought of that!’”

—Dave Barry

Santa Marta Spotlight: Caring Concierges (Cont'd.)



With the complications of COVID-19 our concierge team has risen to the challenge of extra duties being added to their plate. Some of these duties include, but are not limited to screenings of essential employees and caregivers as well as the recent addition of scheduling and monitoring outdoor family visitors. Lead Concierge Margo has been with Santa Marta over 7 years and works hard to ensure each concierge at Santa Marta is trained to handle anything thrown their way! Roberto has been with Santa Marta for 5 years; when asked what his favorite part of working at Santa Marta is, he said, "The relationships I have built with both the residents and the staff." Needless to say, we are so lucky to have such a great team of people representing this community every day. From all of Santa Marta, we thank you and appreciate all the work you do!

Stained Glass

With the recent reopening of the Chapel, residents and staff are finally able to fully appreciate the beauty and grace of the newly added stained glass. Installed in early July the breathtaking colors and craftsmanship are impossible to miss when you walk through the main doors to the Chapel. The first of 7 stained glass windows to be installed, this window represents the Lamb of God. In the center is a beautiful white lamb, the lamb holds in its mouth a flag with a cross to represent Christ's death and resurrection. Above and below the lamb are two Greek symbols, the Alpha and the Omega, signifying the beginning and end, as Christ is the beginning & end of all. We are excited to have this piece added to enhance the beauty of our Chapel here at Santa Marta and look forward to seeing the future installations.

