



Residents' Council Minutes

April 2, 2024

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Council Members*: Harry Boswell, Joan Bretz, Mary Darden, Ida May Heidecker, Dale Meadowcroft, Bill Middendorf, Carol Owen, Carol Pennington, Dennis Plymette, Claire Powers, Bob Regan (E), Anna Mae Roof (U), Ray Saunders, Charley Sproule, Ann Swenson, Tom Usiadek , Ron Wolf

Officers*: President Dale Meadowcroft, Vice President Bob Regan, Treasurer Jim Smeltzer, Assistant Treasurer Charley Sproule, Secretary Anne Hipp, Assistant Secretary Claire Powers

*E =Excused Absence; U =Unexcused Absence

Visitors: Bob Brommer, Tom Johnston, Kristen Juchem, Jenny Kornfeld, Kathy Salmon

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by President Dale Meadowcroft

Moment of Silence: A moment of silence was observed.

Administrative Report: Brian Grundusky: Brian was called away and was unable to attend.

Kristen Juchem updated the group on the April 18 Living Fair.

Kristen: The purpose of the Fair is to promote our groups and clubs more effectively. We are hoping that the room will be available Wednesday afternoon for setup. Re: printing (this applies to the Living Fair **only**) --- printing of 50 color copies will be available to each group upon request, with extras available in black and white on the Fair day. Kristen is looking into other options, such as the use of a QR code. This is her first involvement with the Living Fair, and she welcomes constructive feedback.

Minutes from March 5, 2024.

Motion to accept: Dennis Plymette Second: Bill Middendorf Accepted

Correspondence: None

Anne Hipp, Secretary shared with the Council the multi-step process in getting out the Minutes and her appreciation for reports e-mailed to her before each month's deadline.

Financial Report: Jim Smeltzer, Treasurer: Due to the "Easter Event" all reports for the month were not yet in. Jim did note the significant income from furniture sales, \$3562. For details through March, see attached Statements.

Reports by Committees (C), Activities (A) and Clubs (CL)

1.Art (C) - Marcia Marsh, Chair:

The committee has received many new paintings (from residents), so we will begin sorting through them for future use throughout BV in the next few weeks.

Since Marcia was not present, it was impractical to express our thanks for an outstanding art presentation last month. As a matter of record, let us make an official acknowledgement of the hours of work, preparation, and coordination of assets to create one of the best educational forums in recent years (See attached letter).

2. Audio-Visual (C) – Bob Brommer, Chair: No report.

3. Audit (C) – Dennis Plymette, Chair: No report.

4. Benevolence Fund (C) - Ginny Wilt and Kay Hess, Co-Chairs: No report.

5. Bethany Village Fair (C)- Kathy Salmon, Chair:

The Spring Residents' Council Fair is scheduled for **Friday, May 3, 12 pm – 4 pm and Saturday, May 4, 9 am to noon or possibly 1 pm.** Items for sale include baked goods, furniture, housewares, needlecrafts, crafts, jewelry, wood-work items, art/pictures, books, and puzzles. Several "pop-up" sales will be scheduled during the remainder of spring and summer. There is a possibility that some portions of the Rife Center may be unavailable if completion of the kitchen expansion is delayed.

A Fall Fair is tentatively scheduled for October 11 – 12.

At the Council meeting, Kathy added that there will be flyers available (a great way to market Bethany to those attending from the wider community) at the upcoming Fair, listing BV activities. More volunteers are welcome.

6. Bylaws Committee (SC) - Bob Regan, Chair: No report.

7. Campus Outreach (A) - GraceAnn Steckbeck, Chair:

Status of Vacancies:

Center Rental Court Apartments	5 available, 1 on hold, 3 contracted, 1 temporary housing.
West Apartments	1 available plus the Marketing Office , 5 contracted.
East Cottages	1 available, 1 contracted.
West Cottage	
Estate Homes	

Completed Moves:

Center Apartment	
Court Apartments	1
West Apartments	4
East Cottages	2
West Cottages	

Current Resident Count:

Assisted Living	100
Skilled Nursing	67
Independent Living	<u>493</u>
Total	660, but changing daily

8. Courtesy (A) - Kay Hess, Chair:

13 Get Well cards and 2 Sympathy cards were sent in February.

9. Dining (C) - Dale Meadowcroft, Chair:

The Dining committee strongly supports the campus-wide buffet to be presented April 4 in the Rife Center. Stay tuned to upcoming dining announcements regarding menus and events. Our normal meeting date is the second Tuesday of every month.

10. Executive Committee (SC) - Dale Meadowcroft, President, and Chair: No report.

11. Facilities (C) – Carol Pennington, Chair: Highlights of report 3/28 Facilities Committee report.

Mark Ruiz reported:

- Electronic locks, Brain Health and the Rife Kitchen are on schedule.

- Sara pendant testing: the majority of SARA pendants have been tested. Testing will continue until all are done. So far there have been 3 malfunctions.
- West Apartments: The motion detectors for West Apt. lights have not been scheduled because there has not been enough information from the contractors.
- Benches are planned for Doors 64, 55 and 51
- Problem at the dog park: the gate has been forced.

New Items:

- Motion detectors for the Commons Room's chandelier, West Apt. hallways, Multi-purpose room (2), Technology Room, Reading Room, Pool, and Puzzle Rooms were discussed.
- Can water fountains near Door 62 be removed because they are no longer used?

Questions and Comments:

- Put a notice on windshields of cars parked in reserved spaces.
- The large elevator in the East Court does not work and the small elevator is not big enough to support apartment moves. There is a 6 week wait for parts/repair.
- East Court canopy – Mark would like to replace the canopy with a more durable substance than canvas.

Re: key system for West Apartments – Council member Ray Saunders announced that 1 lock has been installed on the 4th floor, with no schedule for further installation due to vendor issues.

12. Garden Club (CL) - Cindy Lindsay, Chair:

The Garden Club members are anxious to begin playing in the dirt. The ground has been tilled thanks to the Bethany Maintenance Department, and club volunteers have marked off the plots. Many of the gardeners are hard at work. Interest in the club continues, and there are only one or two small plots left to be assigned.

13. History (C) - Joan Bretz, Chair:

March activities –

- I continue to look for photo sources and for folks who can assist in taking photos of events and activities. I will be starting to organize the 2024 Archival Yearbook, for which I have received supplies.

At the meeting, Joan asked all RC members to consider themselves to be members of the committee and to take pictures at events and send them to her.

14. IT (A) - Maria Laterra, Chair: No report.

15. Library (C) - Ellie Meadowcroft, Chair:

In March 2024, 20 books were added, 2 regular print and 18 large print.

16. Model Railroad (CL) - Jim Wilt, Chair:

The Christmas Train Village display in the West curio cabinet has been taken down and put in hibernation with the Christmas Train.

Mike Caravello has assumed responsibility for the O scale Platform. He will be organizing and maintaining the rolling stock, track, and other components necessary for a smooth operation.

Nancy Thomas, a long-time member of the club, has decided to step down and go on the inactive list.

Ed Ravizza has accepted the position of Membership Director and started a recruitment campaign for new members. The club is always looking for new members, men, women, experienced, or inexperienced. There is a place for anyone who is willing to join the club to participate and become an active member.

17. Nominations/Elections Committee (SC) - Dennis Plymette, Chair: No report.

18. PARCR (C) - Claire Powers, Chair:

PARCR will have a booth at the upcoming Living Fair, April 18.

Coming soon:

April 10, 2024, PARCR Quarterly Meeting: SpiriTrust Lutheran in York.

July 10, 2024, PARCR Quarterly Meeting at Quincy Village in Waynesboro, Pa.: Nick Patel, CEO of ThriveWell Tech (an Asbury Communities subsidiary) will be the keynote speaker on the benefits of Artificial Intelligence and their participation in AARP's AgeTech Collaborative on Senior Living. We will also have speakers from LeadingAge PA and NaCCRA to give us updates.

October 11, 2024, PARCR Quarterly Meeting at Pleasant View Communities in Manheim, PA.

You do not have to be a PARCR member to attend the in-person meetings. However, PARCR individual memberships are only \$20/year, and you can find registration materials at PARCR.org. For the \$20 you get access to all the legislative and regulatory information published by PARCR in conjunction with the LeadingAge PA and the PARCR Post newsletter. You also get front row seating at the Quarterly Meetings.

PARCR – PARCR.org. (Pennsylvania Alliance of Retirement Community Residents)
LeadingAge PA – leadingagepa.org

19. Program (C) - Ann Swenson, Chair:

Upcoming events include:

- April 9, 10 – Bethany Babes Breakfast
- April 17 – Hershey Bears @ Giant Center
- April 19 – Halifax High School presents MOANA
- April 20, 21 – Harrisburg Symphony
- April 22 – Rentschler Arboretum Walking Trails near Bernville
- April 24 – Bethany Studs Breakfast
- May 3 - Join the ROMEOS for a trip to the Rolls-Royce Foundation
- May 11 – Welcome to the Renaissance for Something Rotten, the musical
- May 25 - Hay Fever, a play @ Oyster Mill Playhouse
- May 30 – Farm to Table @ Mount Hope Estates & Winery

20. Remembrance Garden (A) - Dale Meadowcroft, Chair:

We sent out nine next of kin letters in March. We anticipate our recent brick order to be received and installed sometime in April. Those donating bricks will be notified by letter when the bricks have been installed.

21. Special Events (A) No report

22. Spiritual Life Enrichment (C) - Don Shover: No report.

23. Volunteer Support (C) – Carol Owen, Chair:

The Volunteer Support Committee met Monday, April 1, 2024. This was our first meeting to strategize and plan for the best ways to promote opportunities for volunteering at Bethany. Kristen Juchem is supervising our efforts. Our first project to inform residents will be at the Living Fair on April 18.

24. Wellness (C) - Ed Stevenson, Chair: No report.

25. Wood Shop (A) - Joe Kearney and Ken Kieffer-Co-Chairs:

There were few activities going on in the shop this past month. No lamps, frames, or chairs, etc., were brought to us for repair. As a result, we had no income.

Beth Shank graduated from making bluebird houses to bat houses and Ken Kieffer made a nice picture frame.

Ken Kieffer will be offering a new workshop for those interested. This new class will be Level II and is open to those who have already taken Ken's entry level training. Contact Ken if you are interested in signing up for this new Level II training.

Aside from a reminder about the Shop being open every Tuesday from 10 AM until noon to welcome visitors and accept items for repair, well...That's my story and I'm sticking to it.

Old Business: Dale Meadowcroft:

The Update on the April 18 Living Fair was covered by Kristen Juchem under Administrative Report.

New Business: Dale Meadowcroft:

- Follow-up to \$10/month surcharge for supervised fitness

This has been dealt with since our last RC meeting by Justin, who stated publicly that the surcharge would remain. Ray Saunders said that he is still receiving complaints about the surcharge. This was noted.

Other:

- Items from around the table, an opportunity for members to share their thoughts and constructive feedback
 - Claire Powers mentioned that the luggage cart has been missing from door #55. Residents use this to carry groceries, etc. to their apartments from the garage or parking lot. Mark Ruiz has not responded to her e-mails on the subject, despite his usually being on top of these situations.
 - Joan Bretz would like Facilities to respond to her requests for work orders through Icon by notifications of exactly what had been completed, rather than just mentioning that the job had been completed.
Ray Saunders said not to submit work orders through Icon, and that Mark Ruiz had requested work orders be sent directly to Facilities via email.
 - Two comments complimentary to the landscape cleanup by our new provider, Atlantic, were mentioned.
 - Ray Saunders mentioned two continued requests from the West Apartments – Motion detectors have been requested since May 2022 and for 3 years they have been working to get the HVAC system regulated in hallways. Still no action has been taken.
 - Ida Mae Heidecker stated that there is a need for cameras for security that seems to her to be more important than electronic locks, but so far there has been no action taken.
 - Ann Swenson asked for support from the Council for the April 17 Basket Raffle (over 34 baskets will be raffled) and Ice Cream Social.
 - At a March 17 gathering of about 10 residents from East Apts., 3rd floor, B Wing, Bill Middendorf gave a short overview of the Council and the importance of hearing from the residents. Concerns were broached about the small pieces of wire, as well as piles of white wire installation, which were left in hallways following the installation of wiring for electronic door locks and the need for furniture in the hallway solarium areas and wooden handrails in the hallways to be dusted. Instances of visitors using parking places assigned to Bethany residents

was another concern, as returning residents then had to haul their groceries a further distance to their apartments.

- Tom Johnston, Ecology Team, shared that the Team has been busy.
 - They have circulated information to residents on what and how to recycle.
 - They are working on obtaining covered recycling bins to protect items to be recycled from the elements.
 - They are working to partner with residents to reduce the use of plastics and to find alternative products that do not use plastics. At the Living Fair the Team will have on display products that members have found to be free of plastic.

Announcements:

Next Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, April 30, 2024, 1 pm.

Next Residents' Council Meeting: Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Adjournment at 10:31 with Dale's closing that "As residents of Bethany Village, may we all learn to be merciful in action, kindly in heart and, above all, may we be thankful for what we have here at Bethany."

Motion to adjourn made by Ray Saunders. Seconded by Claire Powers

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Hipp, Secretary



RESIDENTS COUNCIL OF BETHANY VILLAGE

Trial Balance As of March 31, 2024

	DEBIT	CREDIT
12000 12000 Peoples Checking	63,930.58	0.00
12010 12010 Peoples Money Market	54,851.47	0.00
18000 Accounts Receivable	0.00	0.00
13001 Investments:Investments - National Financial	0.00	0.00
13002 Investments:Investment - U.S. Treasury Bond	0.00	0.00
Undeposited Funds	0.00	0.00
20000 Accounts Payable	0.00	0.00
12050 Peoples1662 Main	0.00	20.99
12051 Peoples1662 Main:3040	0.00	0.00
12052 Peoples1662 Main:4350	0.00	211.42
80010 Not Assigned	0.00	0.00
80020 BVRC RR Fund	0.00	5,265.45
80030 Garden Fund	0.00	3,416.30
80040 Vespers Fund	0.00	3,818.71
80050 Instrumental Music	0.00	530.37
80060 Library Fund	0.00	1,099.14
30000 Opening Balance Equity	0.00	0.00
33000 Unrestricted Net Assets	0.00	104,051.69
13202 Investments - Interest:Money Market	0.00	38.58
46520 Fund Raising:Furniture	0.00	3,562.00
46530 Fund Raising:Housewares	0.00	209.25
46550 Fund Raising:Craft Sales	0.00	129.00
46560 Fund Raising:Library Sales	0.00	100.00
46580 Fund Raising:Woodworking Sales	0.00	20.00
62133 Contract Services:Entertainment:Skilled Care	220.05	0.00
62142 Contract Services:Instructors:Wellness	100.00	0.00
65040 Operations:Supplies	164.43	0.00
65060 Operations:Website Support	50.30	0.00
66040 GiftsExpenses:Asbury Foundation	900.00	0.00
68010 Budgeted Expense:Art Restoration	74.16	0.00
68055 Budgeted Expense:Computer Supplies	20.99	0.00
68060 Budgeted Expense:Courtesy Activities	37.63	0.00
68070 Budgeted Expense:Craft Supplies	56.65	0.00
68100 Budgeted Expense:Historian	123.11	0.00
68110 Budgeted Expense:Knitting	151.38	0.00
68120 Budgeted Expense:Library Books/Supplies	1,348.05	0.00
68151 Budgeted Expense:Music:Combined Chorus	369.10	0.00
QuickBooks Payments Fees	75.00	0.00
TOTAL	\$122,472.90	\$122,472.90



RESIDENTS COUNCIL OF BETHANY VILLAGE

Profit and Loss
January - March, 2024

	TOTAL
Revenue	
13200 Investments - Interest	
13202 Money Market	38.58
Total 13200 Investments - Interest	38.58
46500 Fund Raising	
46520 Furniture	3,562.00
46530 Housewares	209.25
46550 Craft Sales	129.00
46560 Library Sales	100.00
46580 Woodworking Sales	20.00
Total 46500 Fund Raising	4,020.25
Total Revenue	\$4,058.83
GROSS PROFIT	\$4,058.83
Expenditures	
62100 Contract Services	
62130 Entertainment	
62133 Skilled Care	220.05
Total 62130 Entertainment	220.05
621400 Instructors	
62142 Wellness	100.00
Total 621400 Instructors	100.00
Total 62100 Contract Services	320.05
65000 Operations	
65040 Supplies	164.43
65060 Website Support	50.30
Total 65000 Operations	214.73
66000 GiftsExpenses	
66040 Asbury Foundation	900.00
Total 66000 GiftsExpenses	900.00
68000 Budgeted Expense	
68010 Art Restoration	74.16
68055 Computer Supplies	20.99
68060 Courtesy Activities	37.63
68070 Craft Supplies	56.65
68100 Historian	123.11
68110 Knitting	151.38
68120 Library Books/Supplies	1,348.05
68150 Music	
68151 Combined Chorus	369.10
Total 68150 Music	369.10



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Profit and Loss
January - March, 2024

	TOTAL
Total 68000 Budgeted Expense	2,181.07
QuickBooks Payments Fees	75.00
Total Expenditures	\$3,690.85
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$367.98
NET REVENUE	\$367.98



FOCUS ON THE LIBRARY

New in March 2024

BOOKS RECENTLY ADDED – MARCH 2024

REGULAR PRINT FICTION:

Piecing It All Together by Leslie Gould; c. 2020

LARGE PRINT FICTION:

My Dear Hamilton by Stephanie Dray & Laura Kamoie; c. 2018

Wandering Stars by Tommy Orange; c. 2024

The Things We Cannot Say by Kelly Rimmer; c. 2019

People We Meet on Vacation by Emily Henry; c. 2021

A Love Song for Ricki Wilde by Tia Williams; c. 2024

Everyone Who Can Forgive Me Is Dead by Jenny Hollander; c. 2024

The Hunter by Tana French; c. 2024

The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick; c. 2016

Never Too Late by Danielle Steel; c. 2024

REGULAR PRINT MYSTERY:

The Amish Greenhouse Mysteries by Wanda E. Brunstetter; c. 2020

LARGE PRINT MYSTERY:

Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers by Jesse Sutanto; c. 2023

Liar Liar by James Patterson and Candice Fox; c. 2018

The Benevolent Society of Ill-Mannered Ladies by Alison Goodman; c. 2023

Still See You Everywhere by Lisa Gardner; c.2024

Crosshairs by James Patterson and James O. Born; c. 2024

Clive Cussler The Corsican Shadow by Dirk Cussler; c. 2023

Fatal First Edition by Jenn McKinlay; c. 2024

The Bone House by Brian Freeman; c. 2011



Residents' Council of Bethany Village
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April 4, 2024

Marcia Marsh
Art Committee Chair
3206 Bethany Court

Marcia,

I was waiting until the residents' council meeting to officially acknowledge and thank you and your entire team for the outstanding art program presented February 29th. Alas, you chose not to attend our April meeting.

We are blessed here at Bethany Village with many good programs, some entertaining, some humorous, some uplifting, but several, if any, will combine all those elements into a single program such as yours. It is inconceivable to imagine the hours that you and your team spent reviewing artwork, attempting to put that into a common theme, and matching it with entertaining music and exquisitely presented poetry.

Your efforts have set a standard for which we should all strive; freely giving our best, sharing our gifts, for the betterment of our community.

Please extend our congratulations to all the members of your team.

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Dale Meadowcroft
President
Bethany Village Residents' Council

Maplewood Resident Council Minutes

March 26th, 2024

Residents Present: Mary Ann Cieslar, Carol Jamieson, Peg James, Alice McNutt, Nadine Creighton, Pat Lally, Anna Ford, Marion Stibitz

Staff Present: Laura Prietz (Director of Therapeutic Recreation), Christine Dincau (Housekeeping & Laundry Manager), John Bowen (Director of Social Services), Dawn O'Neill (Maplewood Social Worker)

Dawn welcomed residents to the meeting.

Resident Right/House Rule

Dawn shared the following:

- Resident Right #9: A resident may not be neglected, intimidated, physically or verbally abused, mistreated, subjected to corporal punishment or disciplined in any way. A resident must be free from mental, physical and sexual abuse and exploitation, neglect, financial exploitation and involuntary seclusion.
- House Rule #7: Meals: When a resident misses a meal the nursing staff will ensure that an adequate nutritional substitute food is provided. Meals provided are breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Snacks are available in the dining room and/or activity room.

Recreation

Laura shared the following on behalf of the Therapeutic Recreation team:

- April Outings are the following:
 - 4/4: Cracker Barrel
 - 4/11: Dollar Tree
 - 4/18: Duke's Bar & Grille
 - 4/25: Bowling ABC West Lanes
- April Events:
 - 4/10: Nutrition Discussion with Dietician Intern
 - 4/11: Cruise themed Happy House with River Barry Magician
 - 4/15: McDonald's Day! McDonald's Trivia with French Fries from McDonald's
 - 4/16: Critter Connections – Hands on Pet Visits
 - 4/20: Jeremy Goodling – Music Ministry
 - 4/23: UDS Foundation Dog Visits
 - 4/24: Lee Moyer – Gentleman of Jazz

Administration

Dawn shared notes from Bridget on behalf of Administration:

- Staffing:
 - Open Shifts: 2 full-time LPN positions and 1 full-time RA position open.
- Occupancy:
 - Currently Maplewood has 2 open suites.
- Housekeeping note:
 - Christine was pleased to announce that two new associates joined the housekeeping team. They are still looking for a laundry associate.
 - Residents wanted to recognize the team for helping them relocate items that had gone missing. They were very appreciative.
 - If residents happen to find items on the lost and found cart that belong to them, please make sure those items get labeled so they don't end up back on the cart. Especially bedding items.
- Social Services:
 - Primary Election is on April 23rd.
 - If you have moved into Bethany Village since the last election and would like to participate in this election, Registration Deadline is 4/8/2024.
 - All applications for mail-in/absentee ballots must be mailed in prior to 4/16/2024.
 - If you would like to vote in person, the shuttle will be transporting residents to the Rife Center on election day.
 - If you need any of the voter forms, please see Dawn in the Social Work Office or call her at 717-591-8370.
 - Discussed the possibility of starting up a Resident Ambassador Committee to welcome new residents to Maplewood. More to come on this.

Next Resident's Council Meeting:

Tuesday, April 30th at 10:45 am

Sugar Maple (2nd floor) Activity Room