

Meadowlark Hills Messenger

Meadowlark Hills Retirement Community

March 3, 2016

Meadowlark Hills Wellness Olympiad

2016 Wellness Challenge registration and deadline

Registration opens Monday, March 7

The time has come to get ready for our next wellness challenge! Like last year, teams will be competing for the top prize and many other awards. This year's contest will be a six-week Olympiad, encouraging 30 minutes of physical activity each day, with physical, creative and

mental challenges being held throughout.

The challenge will start Monday, April 11, and end Friday, May 20. It is open to all Meadowlark Hills residents, employees and Passport members.



will open Monday, March 7, with the sign-up deadline scheduled Tuesday, April 5.

Look for more Olympiad information to come, or contact Jeff Heidbreder, Fitness Leader, at (785) 341-2995 with any questions.

Meadowlark Hills Got Talent! Show off your unique talent

Friday, April 1, at 7 p.m.

It's that time of year again to show your friends and neighbors just how talented you really are at the Meadowlark Hills Talent Show! Come out for this annual event, hosted by Kinzie Jo Zimmerman and Monte Spiller.

Talented amateurs and skilled performers will gather to compete for the title of Meadowlark Hills' Most Talented. Bring your songs, poetry, artwork, comic routine or unique talent to share with the crowd. We ask that acts be no longer than five-minute maximum.

Please sign up to perform in the Blue Book located at the Hospitality Desk, or just to come see the best talent Meadowlark Hills has to offer.

Residents, staff, family members of residents and staff, and students are encouraged to sign up by Thursday, March 24.

The top three winners will receive a prize. The show will begin at 7 p.m. Friday, April 1, in the Community Room—and that's no fooling!

FOUNDATION NEWS

In Honor of Those Living & Passed

Feb. 2016

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Donations were made to the Good Samaritan fund, Parkinson's Program and Sloan House.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mortified Comedy Show Friday, March 4, at 7 p.m.

Mortified is a storytelling event where adults share the strange and embarrassing artifacts they saved from childhood. These artifacts include old diaries, journals, letters, etc.

The anthropology class will be hosting this intergenerational event where college students and teachers share these old memories in hopes for residents and staff at Meadowlark Hills to do the same.

The event is at 7 p.m. Friday, March 4, in the Community Room.

If residents have materials they would like to share please contact Monte Spiller at 323-3801 or Kenzie McAnulty by email *kenziem@ksu.edu* or by phone at (316) 734-8483. All are welcome to attend!

Bunco Night

Friday, March 11, at 7 p.m.

Meadowlark Hills invites you to a Bunco Night filled with fun and prizes at 7 p.m. Friday, March 11, in the Community Room.

Jayme Minton, Support Services Director, will be hosting this Bunco Night for anyone who would like to attend. Along with Bunco, you can expect snacks, prizes, and beer and wine for purchase.

Sign-up sheets are available in the Blue Book located at the Hospitality Desk. Any questions can be directed to Jayme, at 323-3829.

Manhatter Ladies Luncheon Thursday, March 10, at 12:30 p.m.

All ladies---quilters and non-quilters---are invited to Manhatter Ladies Luncheon at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, March 10, in the Manhattan Room. Hostesses are Norma Larson and Mary Lou Gibbs. Our theme is "Quilts," and you'll see some beautiful examples.

Since we will be gathering seven days before St. Patrick's Day our luncheon menu is Irish, and includes: smoky cheese and potato soup, corned beef and cabbage, carrots, Irish soda bread, and for dessert a warm Guinness brownie with pistachio ice cream. The cost is \$11.

Be sure to sign up in the Blue Book located that the Hospitality Desk.

Video Worship Service

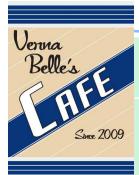
Wednesday, March 6, at 4 p.m.

You are invited to watch a televised worship sermon by Reverend Dr. Thomas Ahlersmyer, titled "Faith in What or Whom?" in the Living Room. All are welcome.

Jokes of the Week

What did the baby kangaroo say to the mama kangaroo?
Don't leap me hanging.

Why would you never iron a four-leaf clover?
Because you shouldn't press your luck!



Lunch Specials March 6 - March 12

Hours: Monday—Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday—Sunday, 9 a.m. to 3 pm.

Sunday, March 6 - Chicken Salad Sandwich with Soup or Chips

Monday, March 7 - Avocado BLT with Soup of Chips

Tuesday, March 8 - BBQ Pork Sandwich with Cheesy Potatoes

\$3.75/\$5.50

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Wednesday, March 9 - Chicken Bacon Ranch Panini with Broccoli Salad \$3.75\$5.50

Thursday, March 10 – Grilled Cheese with Tomato Soup \$3.75/\$5.50

Friday, March 11 - Cheeseburger with Pasta Salad \$3.75/\$5.50

Saturday, March 12 - Ham Salad Sandwich with Soup or Chips \$3.75/\$5.50

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Outdoor Encounters

Submitted by Nathan Bolls

The world at our latitude soon will break free from the grip of cold, long nights and short days. The effects of warmth, shorter nights, and surging hormones will stimulate the exuberance of spring.

Some tree buds are showing growth; others soon will follow. The fox squirrel has completed the first of its species' two breeding seasons per year. Soon the many species of flowering plants will begin to display their reproductive structures, most of which we won't notice. Who can describe the flowers of an ash tree, of big bluestem grass, of curly dock, or of common mullein—even though the mullein flower/seed stalk may reach 6-7 feet tall? Fish, frogs, turtles, and countless species of insects and other invertebrates soon will get into the act. Mosses, and not necessarily only on the north sides of trees and rocks, will begin their complicated reproductive task.

These actions soon will be in process all over our campus, but in greater variety in the less manicured areas. This accelerating frenzy reminds me of the lines from a poem by Galway Kinnell, a top-rank American poet:

On some hill of despair the bonfire you kindle can light the great sky though it's true, of course, to make it burn you have to throw yourself in.

When young, we probably dreamt of someday "lighting a fire." But life offered distractions we may have accepted, taking us away from that true fire smoldering in our deep psyche; that fire of true self-fulfillment; that fire that we, for whatever reasons, kept suppressed, kept from leaping into flames of reality.

Creatures in nature, to survive, whether knowingly or unknowingly, must heed the call to "throw yourself in." Knowingly or unknowingly, they live lives of great risk—and yet, they persevere. For that they deserve all honor and respect.

Easter Brunch Sunday, March 27, at 11 a.m. & 1 p.m.

It's that time again for our annual Easter Brunch! Get ready for another festive and delicious meal prepared by our wonderful Executive Chef, John Gasser. We will be serving brunch at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sunday, March 27, in Prairie Star Restaurant.

More details will be published in the Messenger as event draws closer.

Sign-up sheets will be in Prairie Star Restaurant beginning Thursday, March 3.

Saint Patrick's Day Party Thursday, March 17, at 4:30 p.m.

Join us in the Game Room/ Kansas Room Pub area starting at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 17, for the Meadowlark Hills Saint Patrick's Day Party!



The party really gets going at 4:45 p.m., when our special guest Patrick Werick and his Celtic Band will perform for us in the Game Room.

Patrick and his band are return performers and put on quite the show. Snacks will be provided and beer specials are available for purchase at the Pub.

Prior sign-up is not needed, just show up and enjoy a good time to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day. If you have any questions, please call Monte Spiller at (785) 323-3801.

Memorial Service for Edla Freeland Saturday, March 5, at 3 p.m.

The celebration of life for Edla Freeland is scheduled at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 5, at First Lutheran Church, 930 Poyntz. Snacks in the Fellowship Hall in the church will follow. All are welcome.

Beach Museum of Art Discussion Wednesday, March 9, at 6:30 p.m.

Join Kim Richards from the Beach Museum of Art in the KSU Classroom to learn and discuss American architect, painter, sculptor and muralist, Henry Varnum Poor. All residents who are interested are invited to participate.

Manhattan Home Life of the 1880's — Special tour to Wolf House Museum *Friday, March 11, at 2 p.m.* & 3 *p.m,*

One week after the Osher class concludes, the class will have the opportunity to visit the Wolf House Museum on one of the two group tours. Tour one will be at 2 p.m. and group two will be at 3 p.m.

Free transportation is provided. Please sign-up for transportation in the Blue Book located at the Hospitality Desk.

Resident Focus Group

Thursday, March 10, at 10 a.m.

The Focus Group scheduled for March will highlight another great staff member at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 10. The staff attendee for March Focus Group will be Hospitality staff, Robin Irvin.

Come and meet Robin in the KSU Classroom!

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vespers Services

Sunday, March 6, at 7 p.m.

The Vespers service, led by College Avenue Methodist Church, will be in the Community Room. All are welcome.

Manhattan Home Life of the 1880's Friday, March 4, from 2 to 4 p.m.

The last Osher class for Manhattan Home Life of the 1800's is scheduled for Friday, March 4, in the Community Room.

LWV Meeting

Saturday, March 12, at 9 a.m.

A meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. in the Community Room — all about transparency in local and state government. Manhattan's League of Women Voters is sponsoring the program as part of its support for openness and citizens' access to public policy-making. All are invited.

Memory Activities Class Wednesday, March 9, at 10 a.m.

Memory Activities Class (MAC) focuses on education, activities and discussions about memory and cognition in an informal setting. All levels of abilities are welcome and snacks are provided. This group will meet from 10 to 11 a.m. in the KSU Classroom.

KSU Men's Basketball Watch Party Saturday, March 5, at 2 p.m.

Come on down to the Game Room to watch the KSU Men's basketball team take on Texas Tech on channel ESPW. Don't miss out the last game of the season at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 5. Refreshments will be served.

Partner's in Parkinson's Presentation *Tuesday, March 8, at 6:30 p.m.*

The Parkinson's Program invites you to "Parkinson's Disease: Learning More Together" presentation with Matt Wolff, MA, LCSW, AbbVie Patient Advocate, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, in the Community Room.

"Parkinson's Disease: Learning More Together" will help people have a better understanding of Parkinson's disease, how it affects the body and the benefits of visiting a Motor movement Disorder Specialist. You will gain a good understanding of the disease so conversations with doctors can be more beneficial.

Little Apple Chorus presents Our

Americana Saturday, April 9, at 3 p.m.

The Little Apple Barbershop Chorus presents the 2016 Spring Show, *Our*



Americana featuring Crossroads Quartet. Showtime begins at 3 p.m. Saturday, April 9, at McCain Auditorium.

A special pre-show performance will be performed 30 minutes before the program at 2:30 p.m. by the Manhattan Barefoot Dixieland Band.

Tickets are now on sale and are \$15 per ticket. After Monday, April 4, tickets will be \$18 and can also be purchased at the door. Twenty free tickets are now available at the Hospitality Desk—first come first serve!

Transportation will be available for \$3 per person by signing up in the Blue Book located in the Hospitality Desk. The first shuttle will depart from the Village Entrance at 2:15 p.m. and second shuttle will depart at 2:45 p.m.

All-Campus Saint Patrick's Day Party Wednesday, March 16, at 2:30 p.m.

The Honstead House Life Enhancement Team is hosting a Saint Patrick's Day Party! You're invited to attend the Irish celebration with food, desserts and fun at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, in the Community Room.

Join the entire campus in this festive celebration! And don't forget to wear green!

Trip to New Theatre Restaurant Wednesday, March 23, at 9 a.m.

There was a misprint in last weeks edition of the Meadowlark Hills Messenger. Meadowlark Hills will be taking a group to Overland Park, Kan. to visit the NEW Theatre Restaurant at 9 a.m. **Wednesday, March 23.**

Acrylic Watercolor Painting for Fun Saturday, March 5, at 9:30 a.m.

The Acrylic/Watercolor Painting for Fun group will meet at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, March 5, in the KSU Classroom. Don't forget to bring paint supplies and be ready to paint away!

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNEMENTS



Chocolate & Tea tickets Sunday, April 10, at 2 p.m.

Meadowlark Hills only has six free tickets left to giveaway for this event. If you are interested in attending, stop by the Hospitality Desk to get a ticket. The tickets are first come.

The 13th Annual Chocolate & Tea event is scheduled at the Houston Street Ballroom. This event which benefits the Manhattan Area Habitat, includes: silent and live auction, chocolate fountain, coffee, tea and treats.

Exercise Classes canceled, March 3

Steady Yourself and Chair Yoga are both canceled Thursday, March 3.

Transportation to Caucus Selection Saturday, March 5, at 2:30 p.m.

If you are interested in attending the Caucus selection of the Democratic Candidate for President, transportation will depart from the Village Entrance at 2:30 p.m. to Anthony Middle School's main entrance. Transportation will return to Meadowlark Hills at 5 p.m. This is not a Meadowlark Hills sponsored event.

Please bring food, water and snacks as you wish. Water and nutrition bars will be available at the Caucus. Seating will be in folding chairs or on the stadium seating (with cushioned back and seat) in the school's gymnasium. If you use a wheelchair or require other assistance, you will be accommodated at the school entrance, throughout your time in the school and at the Caucus.

Please be aware that no one is permitted to join the registration line after 3 p.m. If you are interested in attending the event, please sign up in the Blue Book located at the Hospitality Desk. Cost is \$3 for round trip.

*Not sponsored by Meadowlark Hills.

VERNA BELLE'S CAFÉ UPDATE

Young, Up and Coming Artists featured at Verna Belle's Café

Submitted by
Jayme Minton
Every artist
has to start
somewhere. We
are hoping that
some artists
may get their
start at
Meadowlark
Hills.

Starting in March, Verna Belle's Café will feature art from students throughout USD 383 Manhattan-





Ogden School District. The art will rotate monthly

the ar famil Mead see the piece The paint.



[Above] USD 383 Manhattan -Ogden students art pieces.

and we have invited the artists and their families to visit Meadowlark Hills to see their featured pieces.

The wonderful painter and watercolorist, Ralph Fontenot, and his daughter, Rachel Fontenot, coordinated the student's art work for display.

Did you know? We are fortunate to have 31 Ralph

Fontenot original watercolors on display throughout Meadowlark Hills!

PRAIRIE*STAR RESTAURANT

Monday to Saturday, 10:30 to 8 p.m. Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

March 6 - March 12

Includes beverage, starter and dessert.

A minimum of one hour notice is required for reservations. The restaurant can accept up to four reservations per time, depending on party size. Reservations can be made in person or by calling 323-3820.1

>	March 6∼ Lunch \$10	Dinner \$12
SUNDA	Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Vegetable of the Day	Chicken Ala King Rice Pilaf Vegetable of the Day
∀	March 7 ~ Lunch \$9	Dinner \$12
TUESDAY MONDAY SUNDAY	Tator Tot Casserole Choice of Vegetable	Meat & Cheese Manicotti Garlic Toast Vegetable of the Day
>	March 8 ~ Lunch \$6	Dinner \$12
TUESDA	Taco Bar (does not include drink, starter or dessert)	Pork Piccata Wild Rice Vegetable of the Day
	March 9 ~ Lunch \$10	Dinner \$13
WED.	Pork Cutlet with Cream Gravy Mashed Potatoes Choice of Vegetable	Chicken Roulade with Cornmeal Crust Stuffed with Herbed Goat Cheese Twice Roasted Sweet Potatoes with Honey Vegetable of the Day
	March 10~ Lunch \$7	Dinner \$11
THURS.	Breakfast Bar (does not include drink, starter or dessert)	Beef Stroganoff Buttered Egg Noodles Vegetable of the Day
_	March 11~ Lunch \$9	Dinner \$15
FRIDAY	Cheese Quiche Tomato Soup	Grilled Swordfish with Brown Butter Sauce Carrot Risotto Vegetable of the Day
	March 12 ~ Lunch \$10	Dinner \$13
SAT.	B.B.Q Grilled Chicken Wings Macaroni Salad Choice of Vegetable	Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Vegetable of the Day

^{*}You may substitute an extra vegetable for the starch on any special for no additional charge.

Grosh Cinema Movies

Sunday, March 6 - Saturday, March 12

Show Times: 1, 4 and 7 p.m., Monday – Saturday

2 p.m. and 6 p.m., Sunday

Sunday, March $6 - \underline{Max}$ (2015)

In this affecting drama based on real events, military dog Max is adopted by the family of his trainer, who was killed in Afghanistan. Besides helping the family overcome their grief, Max's arrival provides new clues about the soldier's death.

Co-Starring: Thomas Haden Church, Josh Wiggins & Luke Kleintank

Rated PG: 1 hr. 51 min.

Monday, March 7 – <u>Hyde Park on Hudson</u> (2012)

Sometimes all it takes to change history is a getaway to a nice country home and a good old American hot dog.

Co-Starring: Bill Murray, Laura Linney & Olivia Williams

Rated R for brief sexuality; 1 hr. 34 min.

Tuesday, March 8 – Hart's War (2002)

A black soldier in a German POW camp is charged with murder. And his de facto attorney faces a nearly impossible task.

Co-Starring: Bruce Willis, Colin Farrell & Terrence Howard

Rated R for some strong war violence and language; 2 hrs. 4 min.

Wednesday, March 9 – El Dorado (1966)

Howard Hawks reunited with Rio Bravo star John Wayne in this classic Western about a hired gun who teams with a sheriff to thwart greedy ranchers.

Co-Starring: John Wayne, Robert Mitchum & James Caan

Not Rated; 2 hrs. 6 min.

Thursday, March 10 – An American in Paris (1951) *Resident Request

Once a struggling painter, opportunistic American artist Jerry lives in the City of Light, enjoying the patronage of a well-heeled gallery owner.

Co-Starring: Gene Kelly, Leslie Caron & Oscar Levant

Not Rated; 1 hr. 55 min.

Friday, March 11 – War Room (2015)

From the outside, the lives of Tony and Elizabeth Jordan appear perfect, but their marriage is in shambles. After seeking counsel from a wise older woman, Elizabeth realizes it will take a deep commitment to prayer to keep her world from crumbling.

Co-Starring: Priscilla C. Shirer, T.C. Stallings & Karen Abercrombie

Rated PG; 2 hrs. 1 min.

Saturday, March 12 – Hard Ball (2001)

He's hit some fouls in life, but now he's coaching kids who've never even had a crack at the ball. Time to win.

Co-Starring: Keanu Reeves, Diane Lane & John Hawkes

Rated PG-13; 1 hr. 46 min.

This Week's Opportunities March 6 - March 12

SUNDAY • MARCH 6

Breakfast at Verna Belle's—Omelets with Fruit

10:00 a.m. ~ Church Service, CR

7:00 p.m. ~ Vespers, College Avenue Methodist Church, CR

Monday • March 7

Trash pick-up day

Breakfast at Verna Belle's—Biscuits & Sausage Gravy

Dental Hygiene Clinic (By Appointment Only), Miller Spa

8:30 a.m. ~ Dental Hygiene Clinic, MS

8:30 a.m. ~ IL Resident Council, KSU CL

9:30 a.m. ~ Town Meeting, CR

11:00 a.m. ~ St. Luke's Communion, LR

11:00 a.m. ~ Sit & Be Fit, CR

12:00 p.m. ~ Weights 101, CR

12:00 p.m. ~ Yoga, KSU CL

1:00 p.m. ~ Blood Pressure Clinic, GR

1:10 p.m. ~ Meditation Group, LR

1:15 p.m. ~ Parkinson's Exercise Class, CR

1:30 p.m. ~ Ladies Pool Table Time, BP

2:15 p.m. ~ Parkinson's Voice Class, KSU CL

3:00 p.m. ~ MLH Singers Practice, CR

5:30 p.m. ~ Tuttle Creek Supper, MR

7:00 p.m. ~ Community Bingo, CR

TUESDAY • MARCH 8

Breakfast at Verna Belle's—Breakfast Sandwich with Fruit

10:30 a.m. ~ Steady Yourself, CR

11:15 a.m. ~ Chair Yoga, CR

12:00 p.m. ~ Seven Dolors Book Discussion, LR

1:00 p.m. ~ Tai Chi, CR

3:00 p.m. ~ Coffee Corner, CR

4:00 p.m. ~ Newspaper & Bible, CON

5:30 p.m. ~ 4th Floor Supper, MR

6:30 p.m. ~ Partners in Parkinson's Presentation, CR

WEDNESDAY • MARCH 9

Breakfast at Verna Belle's—Breakfast Burrito with Fruit

9:00 a.m. ~ New Perspectives, KR

9:00 a.m. ~ Building and Grounds Meeting, LR

9:30 a.m. ~ Seated Strength, CR

10:00 a.m. ~ Worship Service, TR

10:00 a.m. ~ Memory Activities Class, KSU CL

10:20 a.m. ~ Weights 101, CR

11:00 a.m. ~ Sit & Be Fit, CR

12:00 p.m. ~ 2nd Men's Club Luncheon, LR

12:00 p.m. ~ Yoga, KSU CL

12:00 p.m. ~ Beginner Tai Chi, CR

1 to 2 p.m. ~ Fitness Center Office Hour, FC

1:10 p.m. ~ Meditation Group, LR

1:30 p.m. ~ Pitch, GR

3:00 p.m. ~ Call Hall Ice Cream, KR

3:00 p.m. ~ Fit 2 Fight PD, CR

4:00 p.m. ~ Video Worship Service, LR

6:30 p.m. ~ Artist Discussion with the Beach Museum of

Art, KSU CL

7:00 p.m. ~ LWV Board Meeting, CON

THURSDAY • MARCH 10

Breakfast at Verna Belle's—Biscuits & Sausage Gravy

9:00 a.m.~ Messenger Ladies, CON

10:00 a.m. ~ Meadowlark Bible Study, MR

10:00 a.m. ~ Great Decisions, LR

10:00 a.m. ~ Resident Focus Group, KSU CL

10:30 a.m. ~ Steady Yourself, CR

11:15 a.m. ~ Chair Yoga, CR

12:30 p.m. ~ Manhatters Ladies' Luncheon, MR

1:00 p.m. ~ Blood Pressure Clinic, GR

2:30 p.m. ~ KSU Gerontology Class, CR

7:00 p.m. ~ IL Bingo, CR

FRIDAY • MARCH 11

Breakfast at Verna Belle's—Waffle or Pancake

9:30 a.m. ~ Seated Strength, CR

10:20 a.m. ~ Weights 101, CR

11:00 a.m. ~ Sit & Be Fit, CR

1:00 p.m. ~ Hand and Foot Card Games, GR

1:15 p.m. ~ Parkinson's Exercise Class, CR

1:15 p.m. ~ Parkinson's Care Partners Support Group, LR

1:30 p.m. ~ Depart for Osher Event: Wolf House Tour, VE

2:30 p.m. ~ Depart for Osher Event: Wolf House Tour, VE

7:00 p.m. ~ Resident Program: Bunco Night, CR

SATURDAY • MARCH 12

Breakfast at Verna Belle's—Omelets with Fruit

9:00 a.m. ~ LWV Meeting: Transparency in Local and

State Governments, CR

9:30 a.m. ~ Painting for Fun, KSU CL

ROOM ABBREVIATIONS

BP, Billiards Parlor

CR, Community Room

CON, Conference Room

FC, Fitness Center

GR. Game Room

GR, Game Room

GC, Grosh Cinema

KR, Kansas Room (Pub)

KSU CL, KSU Classroom

LB, Library

LR, Living Room

MR, Manhattan Room

MS, Miller Spa

PS, Prairie Star Restaurant

TR, Tranquility Room

VE, Village Entrance

WS, Woodshop

*Touchtown can be viewed on channel 1960