July 1st, 2022 Riverview Landing Connection

YOU HAVE ARRIVED!

By: Elain Edge

As I drove into the driveway the other day, my GPS greeted me with the words, "You Have Arrived!! You have entered the parking lot for your home."

Pauline Kuhn, Myron Grams and myself, Elain Edge, have been designated to help Stacy with the newsletter which will come in your "cubby" each month. Each of us had chosen to make Riverview Landing our home when it opened in the fall of 2018.

Each person who lives here may have individual reasons for making that choice, and I know those reasons often make a difference in how long it takes to feel at home in a new place, but I would like to share some reasons that I like to call this place my home.

1. When I open my blinds each morning, I am greeted by one of Minnesota's awesome views--The Mississippi River.

2. There is an available option to exercise in all kinds of weather, and when it is possible to do so outdoors, one can watch miracles of nature such as the goose family, which I have been watching this spring from when the gander protected the nest, patrolling from the grass to when he and the hen began taking their family from the pond to the river.

3. I can clean my apartment in an hour or less.

4. My main meal is prepared and served to me each noon. Although, I much prefer the dining room to the isolation which hits us when COVID strikes.

5. When my door refuses to lock or the thermostat gets stuck on high, I just call Todd or Ed, and let them assist with repair.

6. I can be busy with many offered activities or just "hole up" when I need to do that.

7. When the time comes that I will need help with any of the above, I will be able to stay in my living space and just add on the services I need.

Hopefully, those of you who read this and may be thinking, "Good for her, but that's not me!", may need to give yourself some time, try something new and be open to join the three of us with feeling that it is good to be at home at Riverview Landing.



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RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS YOU SHARE A BIRTHDAY WITH

Evelyn Burley– July 2nd Judy Enger– July 2nd Mike Konkol– July 5th Florence Austin– July 7th Fred Meinke– July 8th Marian Gangelhoff– July 8th Phyllis Dahlstrom– July 11th Barbu Hackman– July 20th Judy Mosley– July 21st Jerry Gallagher– July 29th Wayne Kirkpatrick– July 31st Dave Thomas (founder of Wendy's)– July 2nd P.T. Barnum– July 5th Ringo Starr– July 7th Kevin Bacon– July 8th

John Quincy Adams– July 11th Alexander the Great– July 20th Ernest Hemmingway- July 21st Martina McBride– July 29th Wesley Snipes– July 31st

"The more you praise and celebrate your life, the more there is in life to celebrate" -Oprah Winfrey

NEWSLETTER NAMING CONTEST

Interested in being involved in naming our newsletter?

Turn in any suggestions to the front desk to be added to our voting contest in August!

GARAGE SALE SUCCESS

Thank you to everyone who donated to our garage sale this year. We had a TON of items from household goods to clothing to décor. The turnout from residents, staff and community members was super and it was fun to see everyone have the chance look through all of the treasures.

Overall we raised \$1,020 that will be going towards outing opportunities for our Journey Suites.

Your generosity did not go unnoticed. Keep in mind– when you see that lamp in the corner you just don't *love* any more or the decorative mirror that doesn't seem to go with the theme of your new décor– put it aside for next year, we are sure someone will have been looking for something *just like it*!



WHO IS EMMETT?

My name is Emmett "Todd" Parrish. I have been with Guardian Angels now for 10 years as of this month. When I first started at Guardian Angels I worked at Guardian Angels by the Lake in the maintenance department, then transitioned to Maintenance Supervisor at Engel Haus, opening it in 2014 and then finally moved over to Riverview Landing as Maintenance Su-



pervisor and opened this building in 2018.

I am originally from Memphis, TN. When I was 14 years old my twin brother, Mike, and I moved up to Illinois with our family. We grew up helping my Stepdad, working on semi trucks and restoring old tractors. I moved to Minnesota in 2006 with my wife Brandy. Brandy and I have been together now for 18 years and we have a son named Hayden, he is 15 years old. I enjoy spending time with my family. You will find us kayaking in the summer and enjoying the outdoors. I also play the guitar and bass, I have a collection of pedals for them. I love being part of the Guardian Angels team and enjoy my days here at Riverview Landing getting to talk to and know all of the residents.

ANOTHER MAINTENANCE FACE

Ed came to Riverview Landing after driving truck for 18 years and almost 20 years of building homes. Ed is a great addition to our community adding another set of eyes, and hands, to all things maintenance. Outside of work Ed enjoys camping, food (who doesn't), cars and all types of music.

Thank goodness for the extra expertise to keep our community running at 100%

WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS

Richard Beckman #457: Richard moved back to Minnesota from Arizonabut he is no stranger to our wild weather as he spent most of his years here. You can find him outside walking the path every day, or in the lobby readying the newspaper.

Ruth Holmquist #459: If you see Ruth you will find her decorating her place, reminiscing about her family as she has a large mural of pictures hung on her wall, or hanging out with her sister who lives here too! How fun is that!

Make sure to say "Hi" when you see them next.

Community Garden

New to Riverview Landing are several raised garden beds on the north side of the community for resident gardening! We have been blessed with a great Garden Club every summer that helped with the patio flowers but now, residents can have their own plot and garden whatever they choose. Someone was really thinking when they put a water line in such a handy place! Feel free to take a walk and watch the beautiful flowers and vegetables grow.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Carol and Ron Johnson July 27th

"Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while loving someone deeply gives you courage."



Smiling is infectious, you catch it like the flu, When someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too. I passed around the corner and someone saw my grin. When he smiled I realized I'd passed it on to him. I thought about that smile, then I realized its worth. A single smile, just like mine could travel round the earth. So, if you feel a smile begin, don't leave it undetected. Let's start an epidemic quick, and get the world infected!

> UPCOMING ACTIVITIES Lunch & Tea at Panola Valley Gardens MN Zoo Music in the Park Farmers Market