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November 2023 HUNTCLIFF HARBINGER



The mission of the Huntcliff Harbinger is to announce planned events and activities for residents and interested parties. Also included are photographs and stories of resident artwork, club reports, and staff and volunteer recognition. The HH is written and developed by the Harbinger Editorial Staff. Huntcliff Summit Website: www.huntsumres.org

HIGHLIGHTS of COMING EVENTS

Continue to check the monthly calendar, daily elevator postings, and bulletins for activity announcements & updates.

Veterans Week:

Rosie the Riveter (Carol Kain)

Veterans Day recognition ceremony

Veterans Day program (Brandt Ross)

I-phone photo clinic (Fred Ortyl)

Huntcliff Summit Chorale program

Crafts Wizard (Gillian)

Congressman Rich McCormick program

Thanksgiving Holiday

Violin/guitar Concert with Bella Issakova, Max Brenner and Brandt Ross

AARP Drivers Training program

Women of Valor—WW II, Part 1

Message from Lisa Schilling—Huntcliff Executive Director

In a world filled with a great deal of chaos and uncertainty, we need to challenge ourselves to cultivate gratitude. Each year as Thanksgiving approaches, I challenge myself to spend a little more time focusing on gratitude. With an attitude of gratitude, we take time to acknowledge and appreciate the blessings and goodness that surrounds us. I can honestly say, each day here at Huntcliff, I find something new to be grateful for. It doesn't necessarily come in the big activities or special events; but rather in the laughter I hear at Happy Hour, the smiles I see throughout the hallways, and the people who stop in the office to share some good news.

In a world that has us shaking our heads at times and focusing on what we don't have, it's the sense of gratitude that will keep us going. I am so grateful to be a part of this Huntcliff family. I hope each of you will find time to continue to share the things we can all be grateful for and to fully embrace what this time of year offers us.

I wish you and your families a very Happy Thanksgiving!



November Birthdays			
11/3	Joan Ortyl, Charlie Snittjer	11/5	Moses Valdes
11/7	Elizabeth Abrohams	11/8	Mona Weissman
11/9	Renee Werman	11/16	Ginny Ross, Catherine Walthers
11/17	Marguerite Crump	11/18	Jean Bernstein, Rochelle Spandorfer
11/18	Julian Yudelson	11/23	Paul Eliot
11/26	Rima Elissa	11/27	Imie Guilliams
11/29	Susan Smith		
November Anniversaries			

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11/16 Joan & Fred Ortyl **11/27** Jean & Stan Bernstein

Team Service Anniversaries Who Began in November

11/8 Sebastian Rotsch 2 yrs 11/12 Maurice Clack 4 yrs

11/24 Brenda Character 3 yrs

Harbinger Development Members & Distribution Team

The Harbinger is written and prepared by residents. The articles were all prepared independently by the Harbinger Editorial Staff. Joan Abram, Wilma Asrael, Stan Bernstein, Jo Bailey, Erma Davis, Sara Davis Merriman, Marvin Fellner, Rosemarie Hosbein, Fred Ortyl, Jobie Ponder, Brandt Ross, Marcia Swanson, Betty Taptich and Julian Yudelson all contributed to the writing and distribution of this month's issue.

Our New Friends



Harry Nelson moved here from Lake Wales, Florida. He was President of Vanguard School, a school for children with learning disabilities in Lake Wales. His interests are football and politics. Welcome Harry.



Jane and Don Radman moved here from Cumming, GA. They have 3 children, 8 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Jane was a Special Ed. Teacher while Don was an attorney, CPA and College Professor. Welcome Jane and Don.

Photo Not Available **Micki Henry** moved here from St. Petersburg, Florida. She has 3 children, 5 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Her hobbies are knitting and needlepoint. Welcome Micki.



Ruddy O'Boyle moved here from Sandy Springs. He has 3 children and 3 grandchildren. He was a Chemist and enjoys golf, sports and walking. Computer use and science subjects are his favorites. Welcome Ruddy.



Paul Greenberg moved here from Alpharetta, he has 3 children and 1 grandchild. He was a Manager of Purchasing and Inventory Control. Welcome Paul.



Daylight Savings Time

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 5, 2023, when the clock will "fall back" one hour and we get one extra hour of sleep. The amount of daylight will continue to diminish each day until Dec. 21 when the winter solstice arrives. Then the length of days will begin to increase until the summer solstice on June 20, 2024.

Our Congressman To Visit Huntcliff

On Tuesday, November 21, our **United States Representative to Congress Rich McCormick** will be here at Huntcliff for all residents and their family and friends.

He is currently serving on the Armed Services Committee, the Foreign Affairs Committee, the Committee on Space, Science and Technology and the Select Sub Committee on the Corona Virus Pandemic. All of these committees are vital to our nations security and we are honored to have him here. Congressman McCormick has quite an impressive background having served as a helicopter pilot in our Navy and as a Emergency Room Physician before taking his current position with the Congress. He will speak to us at 1:00 pm in the Essex and will take several questions from us. A select committee from among us has picked the questions that will be asked by you. The Congressman has not been apprised of the questions and he will hear them directly from the residents. This will be followed by a reception in the bar and Veranda. He is planning to give us and hour and a half of his valuable time. In addition, Congressman McCormick will bring several staff members with him who will be able to address an individual question you might have and assistance he might be able to provide. You are encouraged to register for this event with Fatiha at 770-552-3040 as we are expecting a full house. Relatives and friends are invited but are required to be registered.



American veterans of all wars, and will occur on Saturday, November 11. In 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in World War I, then known as "the Great War." The following year, November 11th

became a federal holiday in the United States. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became known as Veterans Day. Huntcliff Summit will honor our veterans with "Veterans Week" including a special program by Carol Kain as "Rosie the Riveter", "Our Veteran's Wall" and a Veterans Day program by Brandt Ross.

Gigi Lemke - Huntcliff's Cake Decorator



Gigi's creativity goes back to her teens when she liked drawing. As a young mother, at an event, she saw a demonstration of cake decorating using the process of "Fondant Icing". The presenter taught her how to do it and was so impressed with her talent that he asked her to travel to other venues to demonstrate. She was raising her young family and couldn't oblige. However, she created these wonderful cakes for friends and family for special occasions, never charging them! Gigi's decorations are shown on the back cover.

Appreciation Fund



The box shown in this picture, located in the mail box area. The use that is obvious is to submit suggestions for action by your residents association. The use that is not so obvious is as a receptacle for contributions to the employee appreciation fund. You are probably aware that there is a very strict rule in Huntcliff Summit that residents

are not allowed to tip staff. In lieu of tipping, the association has established a way that we can show our appreciation to team members in appreciation of their hard work on our behalf all year long. Residents can make their contributions weekly, monthly, or once per year. The contributions are gathered together near the end of the year, and divided among the staff. The earlier you make your contribution, the easier it is for your residents association officers to do the necessary accounting and calculations. The final deadline for the contribution to be made this year is December 7. If you choose to pay by check, the check should be made out to "Huntcliff Summit Residents Association," or its abbreviation "HSRA". We do not have the ability to accept payments by credit card. The suggested contribution is \$1.50 per person per day. Our goal is for all residents to donate at least the suggested amount. You might be interested in some of the comments team members have made in previous years: "With this money, my kids will have a Christmas", "This money will allow me to take a vacation that I otherwise could not take", and "I donate this money to my relatives back home, and it makes a tremendous difference in their lives". We thank you for your consideration.

MLB Playoffs

All of us Braves' fans are heartbroken the way the playoff events unfolded. What a great year the team had and we are looking forward to a World Series Champion next year.

Harbinger Distribution Survey Results

A big thank you to all residents for participating in our Harbinger distribution survey. 60% of our residents responded to the survey, which is an excellent response to requested feedback questions. We have almost 40% of our residents electing to receive an electronic version of the newsletter. In an additional step to save printing time, the pixel content of the photographs used in the Harbinger was reduced by 75% with no loss of quality. The fewer print copies coupled with smaller pixel sized photographs resulted in October's edition being printed in about a third of the previous printing time with a 60% reduction in the ink usage. As a result of these implemented steps, there are no additional changes planned for the design or distribution of the Harbinger. We are still in a new process of hard copy distribution, so please be patient and let us know if we misplaced your requested hard copy.

Please, continue to check your monthly calendar, elevator postings, cubbies, and other posted announcements to increase your awareness and participation in our events.

Huntcliff Players We are entering the beginning of our THIRD SEASON of" HUNTCLIFF PLAYERS. "Thank you for your continued support. All we want to do is have some FUN !!!. Our November show will feature skits about The Bickersons, "Marx Brothers", Chapter 3 of "Stand In" and other surprises. So look for the dates of the shows in the Summit Monthly Activities

Summit Singers Look for notice of two performances of "Salute To America" during the middle of November. There will be old favorites mixed with some less familiar pieces and one selection that was new to all of us. Of course, there will be several opportunities for the audience to join in the singing. Debbie Boyd, who is an accomplished pianist and piano teacher, is our accompanist.

Book Club meets on the second Thursday of most months. Check the Activities Calendar for details. There is always an enjoyable discussion of the book for the month. The book for November is "Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow" by Danielle Zevin. The date is November 9th at 2:30 in Essex. Visitors are always welcome. Reading the book is highly recommended but not necessary

Men's Club is coordinating the visit by our Congressman, Rich McCormick in November.

Opera Les Pecheurs de Perles by Georges Bizet will be shown on November 19 in the veranda.

Knitting Club & Stitch Club welcomes all residents who would like to be a part of a congenial group of knitters and stitchers every Monday at 2:00 in the Game Room. We knit for our-

Huntcliff's Historian at the Booth Western Museum



Our historian, composer, and folk singer made a presentation at the World famous Booth Western Museum in Cartersville, GA. The hour long presentation was centered on the Oregon Trail, the Lewis & Clark expedition, and the Transcontinental Railroad. The explanations, charts, songs, and stories were all well received by the hundred attendees.

Line Dancing



Come, join the fun and beneficial exercise, Line Dancing, every Wednesday at 2:00 pm in the Essex room. The sessions are lead by Fatiha and all attendees have a great time. No experience is necessary, as we are all learning the dance moves.

Tutankhamun



Residents made a visit to see **Tutankhamun: His Tomb and His Treasures** at the Atlanta Art Center. A resident said," One hundred years ago, the Discovery of King Tuts Tomb in Egypt's Valley of the Kings offered clues to his life and times. As our group went thru the exhibit, we were treated to the wonders of Egypt over 3000 years ago, what an experience!"

Our Director of Engineering—Blondy Deposada



Blondy Deposada was named Director of Engineering at Huntcliff on July 23, 2023. He was born in Havana, Cuba, and came to the United States in 1997, where he lived in Daytona Beach, Tampa, and Miami Beach before coming to Atlanta. His family is evenly balanced, with two sons and a daughter in Florida, and two sons and a daughter in Georgia, and he proudly brags about his three grand children. Blondy is entirely self-taught in the art of building engineering and maintenance, and most recently worked at Celebration Village in Acworth, Georgia. He began his career there as a technician and progressed

over the years into a management position. The five team members under his supervision at Huntcliff work well together to attend to both maintenance and improvement of the systems here. He is excited about the challenges that his position brings and likes the friendliness and enthusiasm of both the staff and residents here.

Huntcliff Residents & Staff Raise Money for Cancer



Residents & staff of Huntcliff held a symbolic walk last week to raise awareness and donations for Emory's Winship Cancer Institute. Friends and staff along with cancer patient, Bob Brenner, one of our directors of sales at Huntcliff made the actual 5k walk at the Emory Campus on October 7. Residents led by Doreen Jacobs helped coordinate the giving for Brenner. The residents raised\$1,300 in contributions and the staff and business community gave another \$2,500 for the Winship walk.

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Fiddler on the Roof

Residents attended a performance of Fiddler on the Roof last week at the Sandy Springs Performing Arts Center. The next day at Huntcliff the sounds of "**If I Were a Rich Man**" could be heard throughout the Huntcliff campus.