

**Recent Important Events at Huntcliff**  
**(Additional Photos Are In the Electronic Version)**

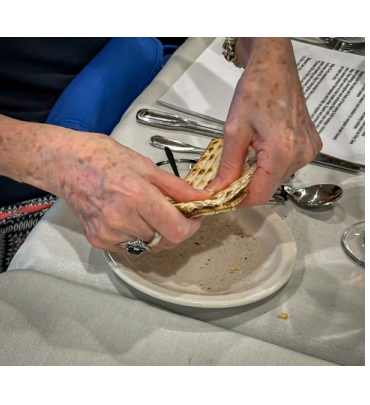
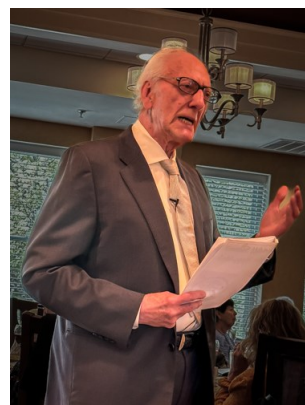
**Ramadan Dinner & Discussion**



**Easter Eggstravaganza**



**Model Seder**



**May 2024**

**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 art-work, club reports, and staff and volunteer recognition. The HH is written and developed by the Harbinger Editorial Staff. **Huntcliff Summit Website: [www.huntsumres.org](http://www.huntsumres.org)***

**HIGHLIGHTS of COMING EVENTS**

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

- **A Baseball trip to see the Gwinnett Stripers**
- **Special Program for Mother's Day – Brandt Ross**
- **Arts and Crafts with Gillian**
- **Humor on the big screen with Rosemarie**
- **Mother's Day Brunch**
- **Men's Club outing at City BBQ**
- **Memorial Day BBQ**
- **Health Fair and Walkathon**
- **Special program - Memorial Day, D-Day and Flag Day- Brandt Ross**



## Message from Lisa Schilling—Huntcliff Executive Director

I'm thrilled to share that Huntcliff Summit has been recognized as **BEST INDEPENDENT LIVING FACILITY** by *U.S News & World Report's* Best Senior Living Ratings for 2024! In an industry where trust and reputation are paramount, being recognized by a reputable institution like U.S. News carries immense weight. We earned this honor thanks to feedback from our residents and family members. We were evaluated on all aspects of your experiences in our community including activities, dining, resident services and more.

I'm very proud to work with this team that works very hard to provide these services. What's also important is the focus this team has on providing an engaging lifestyle for you to pursue your many interests and passions.

As we celebrate this achievement, we also use it as motivation to continue striving for excellence in everything we do. We remain committed to providing high standards of service and encourage you to continue to share your thoughts, ideas, and feedback on how we can even better efforts in our mission to champion quality of life for all seniors!

With Sincere Thanks,

*Lisa*

## Response To a Resident Question

**Can we install electronic message boards in the lobby & bar area to highlight and update major daily activities and other important timely messages?**

*I am currently working with a Project Manager in our Sunrise IT department to explore options for digital signage in our community. Currently, we are seeking information from two different vendors. Our goal is to have digital signage in the first-floor lobby and on the sixth floor – exact location has not yet been identified. This project will take place after the refresh of flooring and furniture in these areas.*

**Thanks for your question on Huntcliff's theater. If you have other questions that pertain to all residents of Huntcliff, please mention your question to any member of the Harbinger Development Team, shown below. Your active participation in this new Harbinger feature, will address important Huntcliff issues and stop unproductive, and unnecessary rumors.**

## 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, and Betty Taptich all contributed to the writing and distribution of this month's issue.

## May Birthdays

5/1	Pat Turek	5/4	Doreen Jacobs
5/7	Bea Schemer	5/8	Jack Balakirsky
5/19	Kathleen Pringle	5/12	Dick Kretzmer
5/13	Lenore Farber	5/18	Janet Gibeaut
5/19	Gloria Chesin	5/22	Sue Taylor
5/26	Gloria Dotson, Charles Cayce	5/30	Ed Murphy

## May Anniversaries

5/31 Phoebe and Charlie Snittjer

## Team Service Anniversaries Who Began in May

5/1	Melissa Wiest ( Administration) 1 year
5/5	Angie Harrell (Housekeeping) 1 year
5/10	Kendra Raffington (Administration) 2 years
5/11	Fedilina Giambone (Administration) 9 years
5/23	Jayson Elder (Dining Room) 2 years
5/23	Leshell Lowery (Security) 23 years

## Brent Andrews—Food & Beverage Director



Brent was born in Columbus, Ohio. He graduated from University of Georgia with a graduate degree in Ecology. After graduation, he went to work for a micro-brewery as a dishwasher and gradually learned food making skills as he progressed through the organization. Brent is a believer in sustainable food diet, loves to experiment with new cuisines and foods, and is able to manage the challenges of food service distribution and staffing. Brent has been married for 15 years and has a 12 year old son, who like Brent, is a Baseball and Braves fan. Brent joined the Huntcliff Summit team in August of 2021. We appreciate his dedication to us and his staff.



## Newspaper Thief Caught On Camera



## New Friends



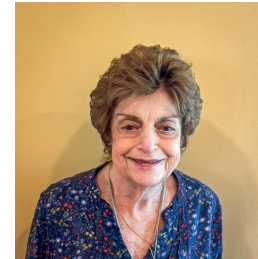
Judi Sterne moved here from Sarasota, Florida via Cincinnati, Ohio. She has five children and nine grandchildren. At one time Judi was a Nursery School owner and teacher. Also was an art teacher for elementary and high school. Her interests are art, theater and music. Welcome Judi .



Lorraine Wolf came here from Sterling of Dunwoody in Atlanta. She has two children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was a Regional Property Manager for twenty eight years dealing with rental property. Lorraine is a fan of the GA Bulldogs, Braves and Falcons. Welcome Lorraine.



Marley Rosen moved here from Hollywood, Florida. Marley has two children, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild. In the past she was a secretary in sales. Marley at one time was a casting director and owned a modeling agency. Welcome Marley.



Rica Pieniek moved here from the Atlanta area. She has three children and three grandchildren. For 28 years she was an Administrative Assistant to a Regional Manager for Nabisco, Inc. Rica loves all food, and being with her family is her favorite activity. Welcome Rica.

## Kentucky Derby -The Fastest Two Minutes in Sport



The 150th **Run for the Roses** will be held on Saturday, May 4. The second most watched TV event at 14.8 million viewers is only surpassed by the Superbowl. Since 1896, the garland of roses, placed on the winner, is made up of exactly 554 roses. About 120,000 Mint Juleps will be consumed on Derby weekend, requiring about 10,000 bottles of Woodford Reserve bourbon, and almost 500,000 pounds of ice. WOW !!

## Huntcliff's Favorite Movies



The results are in. Out of the approximately 25 movie favorites suggested by our residents and staff, the top three movies, in descending order, are : **Gone With The Wind, Dr. Zhivago, and Casablanca**. Thanks for participating in our informal survey. We will have our roving reporter solicit more feedback on other topics in the future. We will work to show these loved movies here at Huntcliff.

## Memorial Day



Memorial Day (originally known as Decoration Day) is a federal holiday in the United States for mourning the U.S. military personnel who have died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. It is observed on the last Monday of May. The first national observance of Memorial Day occurred on May 30, 1868, to honor soldiers who had died in the Civil War. Many cities and people have claimed to be the first to observe it. However, in 2022, the National Cemetery Administration, a division of the Department of Veterans Affairs, credited Mary Ann Williams with originating the idea of strewing the graves of Civil War soldiers "Union and Confederate" with flowers. Official recognition as a holiday spread among the states in 1873. The World Wars turned it into a day of remembrance for all members of the U.S. military who fought and died in service. In 1971, Congress standardized the holiday as "Memorial Day" and changed its observance to the last Monday in May. Two other days celebrate those who have served or are serving in the U.S. military: Armed Forces Day (which is earlier in May), an unofficial U.S. holiday for honoring those currently serving in the armed forces, and Veterans Day (on November 11), which honors all those who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

A 23 page **AARP Fraud Booklet** is available on Huntcliff's Website and a copy of the pamphlet will be placed in Huntcliff's library. AARP has a free hot line (877-908-3360) where trained fraud specialists provide support, guidance for victims and help to avoid scams.

## Tips to prevent Phishing



- Overview
  - One of the most common methods that cybercriminal use to gain access your account and sensitive information.
- Definition:
  - A method of trying to gather sensitive information using deceptive e-mails or websites
  - Free stuff, business opportunities, or even a warning email

Don't Trust	Unsolicited Emails
Filter	Your Spam
Install	Antivirus and Firewall Program and Keep Them Up to Date
Don't Click On	Unknown Links in Messages
Don't Open	Email Attachments from Strangers or Unknown Contacts
Verify	<a href="https://www.virustotal.com/gui/">https://www.virustotal.com/gui/</a>



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** Want more LAUGHTER and FUN ? Want more BANG for your BUCK ? HUNTCLIFF PLAYERS' SHOWS are the PERFECT REMEDY. Where else can you see your friends and neighbors make FOOLS of THEMSELVES? NOWHERE!! Our COMEDIES will leave you LAUGHING IN THE AISLES. We will perform 2 shows this month.

**Men's Club** Will be having lunch at City Barbecue on Tuesday May 21.

**Rose Garden** A work in progress and will be for quite a while. One new feature is a raised miniature rose bed with 4 mini roses with buds ready to bloom. In a week or two many of the other roses will begin to bloom so come out and see the garden!

**Book Club** Will meet on Thursday, May 9th at 2:30 in Essex. The book is The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride. New members are welcomed. Reading the book is not required for attendance.

**Summit Singers** Huntcliff's chorus is hard at work on its next program "SONGS ACROSS AMERICA." Watch for notice of two performances in early June.

**Greenhouse** Since cold weather is behind us, it is time to remove your plants from the greenhouse

## Mother's Day



The modern observance of Mother's Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and became an official national holiday in 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson recognized the second Sunday in May as "Mother's Day". Jarvis envisioned an intimate day of observance and encouraged the wearing of a white carnation. The custom later changed to wearing a red carnation to represent a living mother or a

white carnation for a mother who was deceased. Jarvis became disillusioned, however, for Mother's Day became increasingly commercialized. Greeting card companies, florists, and gift shops transformed it into a profit-making venture that Anna Jarvis in turn resented. Using her own funds, she filed several lawsuits against entities that used the name "Mother's Day" and even lobbied the government to remove it from the calendar. By the 1940s, she completely withdrew her support of the holiday she had founded. Almost penniless, Jarvis died in 1948. This sad story of Mother's Day founder Anna Jarvis in no way reduced the popularity—and commercialization -- of the holiday. In 2024, consumers are estimated to spend \$274 per person, the highest in history, up from the previous record high of \$245 in 2022. Also, Mother's Day is the busiest day of the year for restaurants; more phone calls are made on Mother's Day than any other day in the year; and Mother's Day is the largest retail holiday after the winter holidays and back-to-school season. Mother's Day continues to be a cherished holiday that serves as a tribute to the extraordinary women----biological mothers, stepmothers, adoptive mothers, grandmothers, and other maternal figures---- for their sacrifice and unwavering love.

## State Senator Speaks at Huntcliff

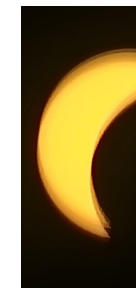


We had the privilege of hearing a talk by State Senator, Ms. Sonya Halpern. Senator Halpern spoke about the workings of the senate this past session as well as describing newly passed bills. She talked about the legislative process in drafting, describing, and committee reviews, and eventual passage of a new bill—a complicated process. Senator Halpern is also the daughter of our resident, Ms. Elsie McLaughlin.

## We Got Mooned



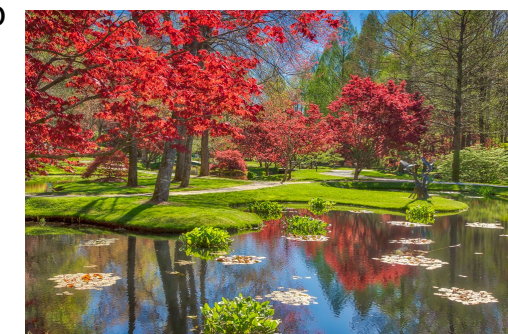
When the solar eclipse happened in April, the Huntcliff residents were ready. We had beautiful weather and all had special glasses to enjoy the show. The shown eclipse photo is by our own Director of Engineering, Blondy Deposada. Well done!!



## Gibbs Gardens Visit



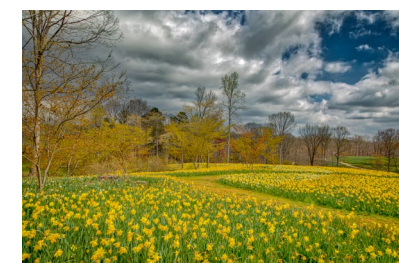
Residents took a fantastic trip to Gibbs Gardens. It was a perfect blue sky day. The Azaleas and Japanese Red Maples were in full bloom. Plan to return later in the spring to see the roses.



## Ortyl Photographs On Display



Four of resident Fred Ortyl's photographs have been juried into two separate art exhibitions beginning in May. The two photographs on the left will be on display at the Roswell Cultural Arts Center for the month of May.



The two photographs on the right will be on display at the Booth Museum's Downtown Gallery in Cartersville, GA, beginning on May 11 and continuing through the summer.





# Additional Photographs From Model Seder



# Additional Photographs from Ramadan Dinner

