

# LEGACY VILLAGE



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## THE LEGACY VILLAGE VOICE

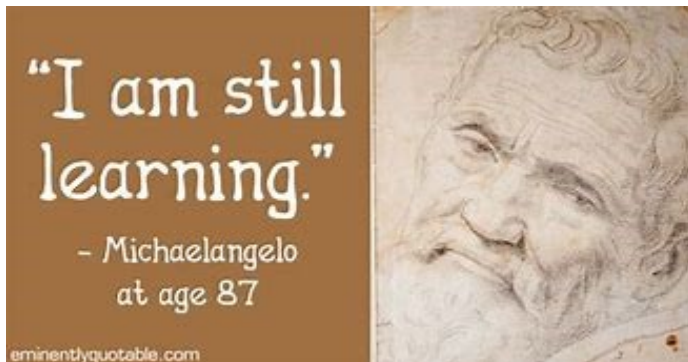
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### A Time to Learn

By Julene Knudson



I love learning!

I became a teacher because school was hard for me, and I strongly desired to help struggling students become passionate learners. I have my dad to thank for that. He is a lifelong learner who passed the love of learning and the thirst for knowledge on to his kids and grandkids, and now he is inspiring yet another generation – his granddaughters.

Dad's first encouragement is to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ (2 Peter 3:18). The Word of God has many verses about learning, especially in the book of Proverbs.

- Proverbs 1:5 Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance.
- Proverbs 18:15 An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge.
- Proverbs 9:9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.

I Timothy 4:12 admonishes, "let no one despise your youth," and likewise, we should let no one despise our years! Leviticus 19:32 says, "You shall rise before the gray-headed and honor the presence of an old man and fear your God: I am the Lord."

It is Back-to-School time. What is on your scope and sequence for the 2022-23 school year? What knowledge do you want to obtain? What would you love to learn to do?

Getting older comes with more wisdom and experience. Age brings a rich life and wisdom to the classroom to enhance the learning experience. So, let's get learning! Here are some resources for you.

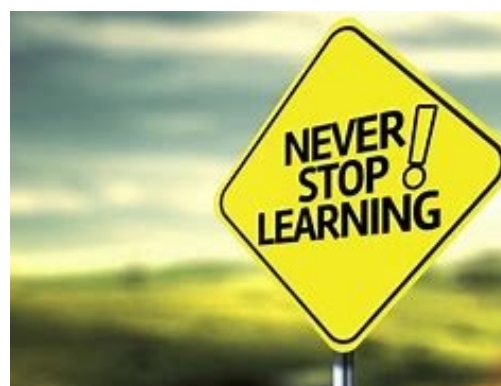
1. **Local churches:** churches provide opportunities to study God's Word, get instruction on how to share your faith and witness, deepen your prayer life, and other studies to help your walk with God.
2. **Ask a librarian:** the library is still a great place to start! Librarians have a wealth of knowledge to share about the resources available to patrons!
3. **Go online:** Many sites have free courses, and others have classes for a small fee. Here are a few that I recommend. There are online courses on almost any topic you are interested in pursuing, but I hesitate to suggest what I have not tried. Here are a few I have enjoyed:

#### Free Online Courses

- [Hillsdale College](#)
- [Dallas Theological Seminary](#)

#### Online Courses with a Fee

- [Khan Academy](#) has all levels of learning on the significant subjects and is very rewarding with practice and master concepts



- **Great Courses** (also available in DVD form at the library)
- **MasterClass** – you name the category—they have it



Let's encourage one another to learn something new this school year by taking a course, reading more, learning a new skill, or taking in-person lessons.



Attending **Armchair Travel** every month is a great learning experience, and there are many other ways we can help each other learn. Is anyone up for teaching residents how to play pool, garden, or knit? Or maybe starting common interest clubs like hiking, cooking, photography, or bird-watching?

Please share with **The Legacy Village Voice** what you're learning, how you're learning, and recommendations for learning opportunities in our area. Above all, as a community, I am excited for us to all grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.



Legacy Christian Academy welcomes back students

## ARMCHAIR TRAVEL TO ISRAEL

Jean Lockwood and Carol Lynne Usher were invited to share their experiences from their May trip to Israel with the Assisted Living residents on Friday, August 12. Eight residents and an aide were a receptive audience to this **Armchair Travel**. Fortunately, the Covid restrictions had been lifted the day before, which allowed this gathering to take place. Unfortunately, those restrictions were still

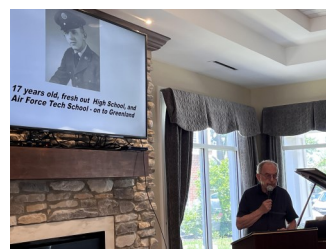
in place when Jean and Carol Lynne were scheduled to present their trip to the IL residents on the previous Tuesday. This presentation has been rescheduled for the September 13 **Armchair Travel**.



## Armchair Travel to Greenland

Submitted by Luke Snell

On June 12, Larry Stover took us to Greenland as he reminisced about his time in Greenland. As a 17-year-old, fresh out of Bootcamp and advanced training, he was assigned for a year at Thule Air Force Bases in Greenland.



Five hundred miles from the North Poles and living with 24 hours of sunshine in the summer (and never getting warm) and 24 hours of darkness with a bitterly cold wind and temperatures seldom

above zero was quite an experience for someone who had never been out of Ohio.

Greenland made an impression on this young Air Force Airman. He and Pat are going back to Greenland on a cruise in 2023. I am sure we will have more exciting stories as they visit a place Larry has not seen in 50 years.





## Billie Snell Honored

Submitted by Carol Lynne Usher

What accomplishments and talents are lying hidden in our residents? It has come to light in recent days that our own Billie Snell is famous for the work she did many years ago and is now being honored.



**Algeria 2006**

**Some background:** When her husband Luke Snell was a professor at SIUE, Billie was working on her master's degree in education with an earth science minor. One of Billie's research projects showed that few elementary students desire careers in the sciences.

In those days, the university was big into creating kits for learning. Luke suggested they could work

together to create a kit promoting STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) in elementary schools before STEM was even a "thing." The kit Billie made gave young students hands-on experience with the wonders of concrete, helped teachers become more confident in teaching technical topics, and showed school-age students that concrete and engineering are fun and can lead to an exciting career.

As part of the university's community outreach into local public schools, Billie set up a program that took graduate students into public schools to direct experiments related to structural engineering. This

included making paper bridges that would support the weight of pennies and, of course, making concrete that would and would not float. (Those Village residents who participated in making pins, magnets, and ornaments with the Snells in 2021 have made the floating ones!)

Follow-up research at one Illinois school showed a vast increase in students interested in science and engineering careers (from less than 2% to more than 20%!) after their exposure to that world through the kits Billie brought to their classrooms.

Over the years, Billie worked with Luke to write 20+ scientific papers and led workshops around the world, exposing kids in Mongolia (2002), Algeria (2006), **Iran (2008)**, and Saudi Arabia (2009) to the possibilities of a career in science.

Billie Snell has been formally recognized for her work in "fostering a love for science and occupational concepts for young children." For the second year, a workshop was named for her at Mexico's annual

ACI (American Concrete Institute) convention. The Billie Snell Workshop is held on Kid's Day at the October convention. It uses the Concrete Kits she designed as an activity that introduces the children to the option of a career in engineering.



**Iran 2008**



**Mongolia 2022**



The promotional materials for the workshop include this summary:

*Billie G. Snell, Workshop Designer and American Concrete Fellow Institute (ACI), is a leader in concrete technology education. Recently, Billie and her husband, Luke, were selected by ACI as one of the "Ten Most Influential People in the Industry of Concrete."*



**Billie & Shirley at Legacy Community Center**

The famous and world-renowned are among us! Congratulations, Billie, on this recognition of your positive contribution to educating the world's youth!

## Game Day at the Memory Garden



Game Days at the Memory Garden have had an added attraction this summer – DESSERTS!

Lowell Perky has made sure the monthly game days have special treats for all those who come for some friendly competition. Donuts, cinnamon rolls, and ice cream have sweetened the games.

The Independent Living residents thank Lowell for his excellent event planning skills. These

games have been a real highlight of summer days here in Legacy Village. Regardless of how well you played the games, it was a sweet experience for all.



**Left: Lowell Perky and Luke Snell**

**Above L to R T to B: Carol Eller dips some of Lowell's homemade ice cream, ladies enjoying a game of croquet, and residents relaxing in the shade of the gazebo: Ken and Elaine Ostrum, Bob Gilley, Janet McClain and Lynda McKenry, Gretchen Best and Connie McPherson.**

**Amazing August Sunset over Spurgeon**

**submitted by Jim Cox**



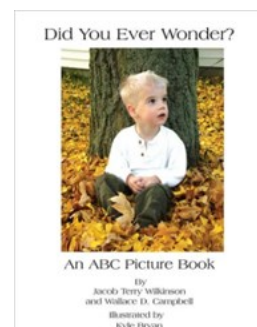
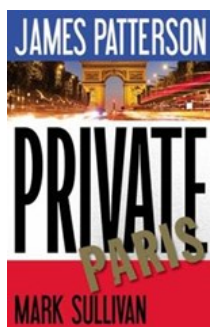
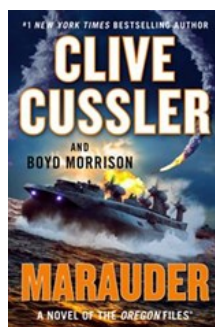
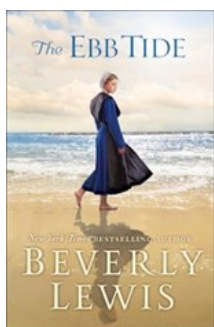


# Books Recently Added to the Legacy Community Library

Reported by Legacy Librarian, David McClain

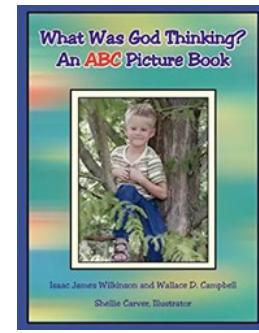
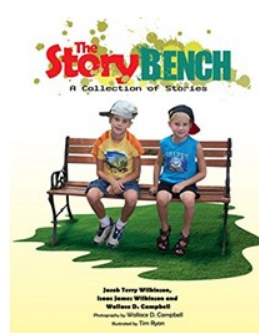
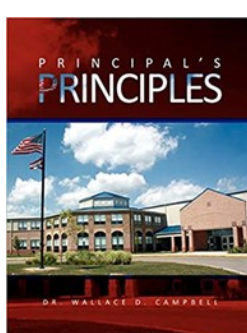
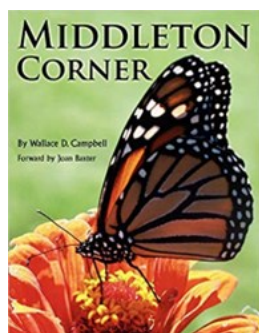
## Fiction (white labels)

- The Ebb Tide / Beverly Lewis
- Marauder: a novel of the Oregon files / Clive Cussler and Boyd Morrison
- Private Paris / James Patterson and Mark Sullivan
- Pursuit / Gene Hackman



## Miscellaneous (green labels)

- Did You Ever Wonder? an ABC picture book / Jacob Terry Wilkinson and Wallace D. Campbell
- The Dung Beetle Joke Book / Wallace D. Campbell, Jacob T. Wilkinson, Isaac J. Wilkinson
- Middleton Corner / Wallace D. Campbell
- Principal's Principles: administrative insights, a forty-five-year qualitative study / Wallace D. Campbell
- The Story Bench: a collection of stories / Jacob Terry Wilkinson, Isaac James Wilkinson, and Wallace D. Campbell
- What Was God Thinking? an ABC picture book / Isaac James Wilkinson and Wallace C. Campbell



**"I kept always two books in my pocket, one to read, one to write in." – Robert Louis Stevenson**



On July 16th, Janet Schellin's family gathered from around the country to celebrate her 90th birthday. They decorated the Memorial Garden gazebo with this incredibly detailed banner crammed with facts about her

birth year. Five of her six children were able to come, plus many of her grands and great-grands. We're not sure how long in advance they had to get a spot for this event on Janet's calendar which seems to be constantly full with her volunteer work. She appears to be 90 going on 60! HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JANET!



## An Edible Fungus Among Us

By W.D. Campbell

This giant mushroom, *Macrolepiota procera*, was found in the front flower bed of Billie and



Luke Snell's home on Spurgeon. The parasol mushroom is a **basidiomycete fungus** with a large, prominent fruiting body resembling a parasol. It is a pretty common species on well-drained soils. It is found solitary or in

groups and fairy rings in pastures and occasionally in woodland. [Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Parasol_mushroom)



The Parasol Mushroom is a **choice edible species** found on roadside verges, in neglected pastureland, and on grassy seaside cliffs in summer and autumn. When cooked, Parasol mushrooms are tender and are known for their **rich umami flavor** and their nutty, sweet aroma that some say smells like maple syrup. This flavor becomes more intense as the mushroom ages and more pungent if the mushroom is dried.

The "false parasol" or "green-spored parasol" mushroom (*Chlorophyllum molybdites*) is a **poisonous mushroom** that is the most common cause of mushroom poisoning in the United States.

Luke and Billie decided not to eat the pictured mushroom!

## On to Abilene, Texas

Submitted by Luke Snell



Legacy Village has a new goal: On to Abilene, Texas! Residents will keep track of their walking steps until October 21.

Collectively the goal is to record 1100 miles which is the distance between Xenia, Ohio, and Abilene, Texas.



Please keep track of your steps and enter them in the notebook at the community center.



For a "walk" down memory lane enjoy this video - [https://youtu.be/-R\\_VoM2Cs2I](https://youtu.be/-R_VoM2Cs2I).





## **Musings of a Retired Librarian #28**

### **William McKinley Birthplace Memorial**

**by David McClain**

When I was growing up in Trumbull County, Ohio, the public library in Warren serviced our small school in Mineral Ridge with a bookmobile. The first “real” library I knew was the McKinley Memorial Library in Niles, about 3 miles from home. It is named in honor of William McKinley, the 25<sup>th</sup> president of the United States and the 5<sup>th</sup> president born in Ohio, who served from 1897-1901.



William entered the family of William and Nancy McKinley on January 29, 1843, as the seventh of nine children. They lived in Niles, Ohio, a town then of about 300 residents and

today about 18,000. The McKinley family had a tiny 2-story house (pictured below) with four rooms on each floor. The house was moved twice from the original site before it burned down in 1937. William attended a one-room schoolhouse on the site where the National McKinley Birthplace Memorial stands today.

In 1852 the family moved near Poland, Ohio. William was teaching school when the Civil War broke out in 1861. He enlisted in the 23<sup>rd</sup> regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, under the command of Rutherford B. Hayes. Later, as Governor of Ohio, Hayes established the state’s control over the Ohio Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Orphans’ Home in Xenia – today the Legacy campus – and later he was elected 19<sup>th</sup> President of the United States. McKinley served in the war with distinction, and because of his bravery at the Battle of Antietam, he was promoted to the rank of second lieutenant. He was discharged as a brevet major. Following the war, he returned to Poland, Ohio, to study law, and he was admitted to the bar in Warren (my birthplace) in 1867.



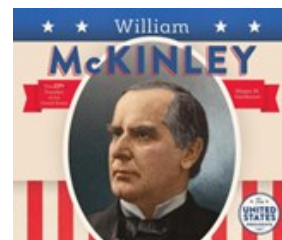
He practiced law in Canton, Ohio, and became involved in Republican politics. In 1871 William married Ida Saxton, the daughter of a local banker in Canton. Both daughters born to the



McKinley’s died very early in life. Ida became a semi-invalid who required constant care from her husband for the rest of her life. William was well-known for his devotion to her physical and emotional needs. William McKinley’s devout evangelical faith powerfully affected his life. After a youthful conversion experience, he regularly worshiped in Methodist churches, prayed and read the Bible daily, often testified to his faith, and

consistently followed Christian moral norms.

McKinley served seven terms in the House of Representatives from 1877-1891 and then was the 39<sup>th</sup> Governor of Ohio from 1891-1895. In 1895 he was elected President. After the USS Maine was sunk in Havana Harbor in 1898, President McKinley declared war on Spain. After the war, the U.S. acquired Puerto Rico and Guam as U.S. possessions and bought the





Philippines as a territory. The U.S. became a world power under McKinley, and he was re-elected in 1900.

On September 5, 1901, in Buffalo, New York, at the Pan American Exposition, William McKinley's life ended when anarchist Leon Czolgosz shot him. He died on September 14, the third president to be assassinated; the others were Lincoln and Garfield. He was about six months into his second term and was succeeded by his Vice

President, Theodore Roosevelt. Ida managed to live until May 2, 1907, only months before the completion of a large marble monument to her husband in Canton. William and Ida McKinley and their two daughters, Katherine and Ida, are all buried in Canton.

On March 4, 1911, President William Howard Taft (also an Ohioan) authorized Congressional funding for a national memorial located in the town of McKinley's birth. The granite two-story structure was designed to reflect Greek and Roman themes. It includes a public library, a memorabilia room, an assembly hall, and meeting rooms. The cornerstone was laid on November 20, 1915, with the United States Marine Band performing.

The statue of McKinley, though initially conceived to be a bronze monument, was carved from a single 35-ton piece of Georgia marble. The outside courtyard contains his statue and bronze busts of men associated with him in the nation's affairs, such as Theodore Roosevelt, Andrew Carnegie, and Marcus Hanna, his close friend and political advisor.



The memorial is a 232 x 136 x 38 ft marble monument with two wings. One wing houses the public McKinley Memorial Library, and the other features the McKinley Museum with exhibits about President McKinley and an auditorium. The memorial was dedicated on October 5, 1917. In 2008, the monument was renovated to clean and repair the marble façade.

The McKinley Memorial Library is open to the public six days a week but is closed on Sundays and certain holidays. The information and photos in this article are from their website. The McKinley Memorial Museum is also open to the public from Tuesday to Friday with

no admission charge. In Canton, Ohio, at 800 McKinley Monument Drive NW, where the President is buried, the William McKinley Presidential Library & Museum and McKinley National Memorial are located.

As a tribute to the President, a replica of his birthplace home was constructed by the McKinley Memorial Library less than a block away from the library at 40 South Main Street in Niles. The McKinley Birthplace House and Research Center project was dedicated on May 4, 2003. In addition to the replica home, the structure contains a library devoted to materials on President McKinley, a gift shop, and two meeting rooms.

For a good biography of William McKinley, I recommend ***President McKinley: Architect of the American Century*** by Robert W. Merry.





## Ohio Facts # 5 National Veterans Memorial

By Luke M. Snell



If you are a veteran or have a veteran in your family, you need to go to the National Veterans Memorial and Museum in Columbus, Ohio. Unlike many military museums that show all the guns and military equipment used in wars, this museum is dedicated to the soldier. It explain what soldiers go through in training, wartime, and how they come back home to civilian life after their service.



As a veteran of the Vietnam War era, I received a hero's welcome at the front desk. I felt a little uncomfortable since I spent my

entire time in the military at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey working as the facility and corrosion engineer. It made no difference to the people at the front desk. People that served, whether volunteers or draftees, and did their assigned duty were the heroes. This is in keeping with the theme of the museum. I was given a refrigerator magnet and a commemorative pin for a war that ended 50 years ago just because I served and did my duty. If you are a veteran in this time period, you need to go to the museum and get the positive recognition that you may not have previously received.

The structure itself is an engineering wonder. It is very complex with no corners in the building. The forms used to build the building had to be set by satellites. One of the largest concrete contractors in the world (from Monroe, Ohio) was one of the few companies that had the expertise to handle this complex construction. Thus, the construction, location,



and support of the local community make this Ohio's gift to the entire nation.

The museum is free to all veteran, Gold Star Families, and active duty military. It is about 1.5 hours from Xenia and well worth the trip.

**National Veterans Memorial and Museum**  
**300 W. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43215**

Website: [www.nationalvmm.org](http://www.nationalvmm.org)

## Ohio Facts # 6 McKinley Presidential Library & Museum

By Faith Waltke

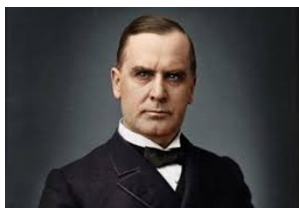
Ohio has the honor of having had seven men who have served as president of the United States. Only Virginia surpasses this with eight.

William McKinley, born January 29, 1843, in Niles, Ohio, served as our 25th President. Before this, he worked as a lawyer in Canton, Ohio, where he met and married Ida Saxton. They had two daughters, Kathleen, born Christmas Day in 1871, and Ida, born in 1873; both girls died in 1873, which caused Mrs. McKinley to battle depression in the following years.

William enlisted in 1861 to serve in the Civil War and attained the rank of Major by the war's end. 1869 found him serving as Prosecuting Attorney in Stark County. In 1876, he was elected to Congress. He was selected as the 30th Governor of Ohio in 1871. In 1897, he became the 25th President of the United States. During his terms of office, a Peace Settlement with Spain following the Spanish American War of 1898 brought Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Philippines under U.S. control. The Independent Republic of Hawaii was also annexed.

His political campaigns were known for his "front porch" gatherings, where he welcomed his public rather than going into communities. He and Ida did some traveling by train to the campaign.





The assassination in 1901 of President McKinley shortened his tenure. This took place at the Pan American Exposition at the Temple of Music in Buffalo, NY, where he greeted the people. His death was due to gangrene from the infected gunshot wound to his abdomen.

An impressive tomb sits atop a hill in Canton, Ohio, where President McKinley, his wife, and two daughters are buried. Nearby a museum owned and operated by the Stark County Historical Society contains McKinley's artifacts and chronicles his life. There is a life-size street scene of shops of that era.

Canton is about 190 miles from Xenia.

## Stained Glass Experience

By Carol Lynne Usher

Three of my four sisters and I signed up for a class to make a stained-glass ladybug at the Op Shop in Kokomo, Indiana. Our youngest sister lives in Kokomo, and she arranged this activity for us to enjoy while our sister from Canada was visiting.



Mona (center in photo) had told us that the Op Shop is the gift shop attached to Kokomo Opalescent Glass. It has been in continuous operation in the same facility and using the same techniques since its founding in 1888. They offer

tours, but our schedule did not permit us to take one at this point. It sounded like a fun activity in a historic place, but we didn't realize how historic.

An article titled "Saving Glass" in the May/June issue of *Christianity Today* caught my eye when I realized it was about stained-glass windows in churches. The writer spoke of how the glass lasts forever but the lead that holds the pieces in the window deteriorates after about 100 years. She was discussing the challenges of churches being able to afford the cost of restoration (which I'm sure was an issue for the chapel here on campus when they had theirs re-leaded a couple of years ago.)

Then she gave the example of an AME church in Oklahoma which had some very special windows with damage to over 500 panes due to extreme weather, interstate vibrations, and vandals' rocks. But what she said next regarding restoration blew me away: "The artisans were able to identify the original glass manufacturer and were delighted to find the company was still in operation in Indiana. Kokomo Opalescent Glass was able to consult its archives and make identical panes." Wow! When I mentioned this to our teacher, Kelly, she said, "Oh, yes. That happens all the time here."

In an age when everything seems to be planned obsolescence, how comforting to know that there is a company that deals in permanence and record-keeping and restoration of beautiful art from long ago.

Kelly (right in the photo) guided us through the three-hour process, and we each managed to create something resembling a ladybug without burning or cutting ourselves. However, we don't think we will be receiving any commissions to repair or create large pieces for cathedrals!





## Happy Trails to You!

Bill Russo has reached out to the residents of Legacy Village and formed a trails task force to plan for further improvements on Legacy's Nature Trails adjacent to Route 35. This group aims to improve the trail by making them more functional, informative, and accessible for residents to navigate and enjoy.

Topics discussed included specialty gardens, benches, identification of plants and trees, historical markers, and birding opportunities.

The group had a meeting on Thursday, August 18, at the Community Center and welcomed any input on making the trails and fields more enticing to experience and enjoy.

The task force has planned a tour and briefing by the owner of [Let Love Farm](#), Nan Payne, on Thursday, August 31 from 1-6 pm. **Let Love Farm** has a similar concept in development.

Bill can be reached at [rllbss2@gmail.com](mailto:rllbss2@gmail.com) or by calling **937/271-1774**. You may also reach out to Bill to schedule a guided property tour of the trails.



**Let Love Farm Trails**

## Save the Date!

**Legacy Village Community Chaplain Colloquium**

"Calling For Chaplain Willie"



1960's Vietnam Veteran Rev. Willie Springer, "Chaplain Willie" will speak and answer questions about his chaplaincy work with fellow veterans in nursing homes and in hospice care in Northern Ohio.

### Thursday September 29

**3:00-5:00PM**

Legacy Village  
Senior Living Community  
695 Wycliffe Dr.  
Xenia, Ohio 45385




Refreshments

MORE INFORMATION AND RSVP OPPORTUNITY TO FOLLOW

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**Legacy Village Staff celebrates as their commitment and hard work was rewarded through National Church Residences survey!**

## In Loving Memory of Joy A. Haines

**April 1, 1927 - August 11, 2022**



Joy A. Thomas Haines, 95, of Xenia, went home to be with her Heavenly Father on Thursday, August 11, 2022. She was born on April 1, 1927, in Bellefontaine, Ohio

Joy graduated from The Ohio State University, where

she majored in music. While there, she was the first female soloist to be invited to sing with the OSU Men's Glee Choir. Joy was the featured alto soloist in the Xenia Church productions of the Messiah for many years. She shared her voice at countless weddings and life celebrations throughout the community. Joy served as President of the Phi Mu sorority for two years, was Panhellenic President, and later President of the AAUW and Greene County Republican Women. She also served on the Greene County Republican Central Committee for several years.

Joy later returned to school to get her master's degree in education. She taught at Spring Hill Elementary in Xenia for 14 years before joining her husband, Joe, on daily trips to Columbus, where he served in the Ohio House of Representatives for 19 years. In addition to being a loyal companion, she was an avid gardener, talented knitter, expert pie baker, and golf enthusiast. Joy was incredibly proud of her hole-in-one.

She will be greatly missed by all who were blessed to know and love her. A thank you to the aides and nurses at Legacy Assisted Living for their compassionate and loving care for the past three years. Heaven has gained a new alto in its heavenly choir.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Christ's Church, 3370 Upper Bellbrook Rd., Bellbrook, OH, 45305, in her memory.

## In Loving Memory of Oleeta O. Herrmann

**September 4, 1924 - July 22, 2022**



Oleeta O. Herrmann, 97, of Xenia, passed away on Friday, July 22, 2022, at Legacy Village.

She was born September 4, 1924, in Grassy Creek, KY, the daughter of Taylor and Mattie (Payton) Peyton.

Oleeta enjoyed attending church and traveling.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Athletes in Action, 651 Taylor Drive, Xenia, OH 45385, or <https://athletesinaction.org/give/>.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.mccolaughfuneralhome.com](http://www.mccolaughfuneralhome.com)



Do you love decorating? Do you love contributing to making Legacy Village a place to call home? Then the joy of service awaits with a wonderful opportunity!

As of January 1, 2023, Roberta Brown & Mary Jordan will be stepping down as co-chairpersons of the Legacy Community Center Decorations & Storage Room Committee.

These ladies have faithfully served the residents of Legacy Village and deserve a heartfelt thank you from their fellow residents. Their work made Legacy Village our home and our community a family. Thank you, Roberta and Mary!

They will be missed, but they are excited to pass the torch and aid the following decorating committee members.

If interested, please contact Legacy Village Council Dave Jordan at [jmi67@att.net](mailto:jmi67@att.net). The joy of service awaits Legacy Village's next Decorating Committee.

If you have questions about the tasks and time this position involves, contact Roberta and Mary.



## ENJOYING THE GOOD OLD SUMMERTIME IN ASSISTED LIVING



Residents of Legacy's Assisted Living enjoyed some food from Greene County Fair Days while watching a video on roller coasters. Residents enjoyed reminiscing about their past fair days and experiences. Arlene (L) and Annie (R) are cotton candy fans.



Staff made sure to celebrate National Ice Cream Sandwich day with residents. Betty (L) and Phyllis (R) think making Ice Cream Sandwiches is a wonderful way to spend a hot summer day!



What would summer be without sunflowers? Volunteer Michelle brought in sunflower seeds for the residents to grow. The plants were finally transplanted outside Legacy's Assisted Living Building where they could thrive.

Residents commemorated their growing of sunflowers by painting sunflowers together.



Summer is a time for sun, sand, and beaches. Residents enjoyed making sand art as they talked about summer days, trips to the beach, and other summer favorites.

Bob, Ruby, Ann, and others in Assisted Living also made suncatchers for their windows.



**DONATIONS FOR MEMORIALS OR TO THE GARDEN**

Legacy Village Residents Council maintains a fund for the purchase of flowers, or for a memorial or charitable cause requested by the family. Flower Fund cash donations in memory of deceased residents or their spouses may be given to the Council Treasurer, Connie McPherson.

Donations to support the Memorial Garden are tax deductible and can be made by check to Legacy Village Foundation with "Memorial Garden" written in the Memo line. These can be given to Steve or placed in the lock box in the Community Center.

**Editorial Statement**

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**Submissions:** Content is welcomed from residents and can be either travelogues, entertaining pieces, or topical contributions in the format of written pieces or photography. Electronic submissions are preferred, especially for photos.

**Editor:** These can be submitted to the Editor, Julene Knudson at her email [legacyvillagevoice@gmail.com](mailto:legacyvillagevoice@gmail.com) or her door mailbox (910 Spurgeon Dr).

**Who's In Charge?**

Below is a partial list of who's "in charge" of various things in the IL part of the Village. Use your residents contact list for phone numbers/emails of those named.

<b>Council Chair</b>	Dave Jordan
<b>Editor of Legacy Village Voice</b>	Julene Knudson
<b>Editor of Profiles</b>	David McClain
<b>Community Center Decorations &amp; Storage Room</b>	
	Roberta Brown, Mary Jordan
<b>Keeping in Touch</b>	Faith Waltke
<b>Flags</b>	Bob Stavick
<b>Librarian</b>	David McClain
<b>Community Center Kitchen</b>	Ivabelle Barton
<b>Memorial Garden</b>	Carol Lynne Usher
<b>Welcome to New Residents</b>	Vern Best
<b>Game Day</b>	Lowell Perkey
<b>Community Fellowship Day</b>	Jim Geist
<b>Bible Study Leaders</b>	Kathy Shober, David McClain
<b>Armchair Travels</b>	Luke Snell

**Legacy Village Council Corner****ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING****August 2, 2022****Call to Order**

The Legacy Village Advisory Council met at 2:00 pm at the Community Center with President Dave Jordan presiding. Vern Best opened the meeting with prayer.

**Attendees**

- **Council members:** President Dave Jordan, Vice-President Vern Best, Secretary David McClain, Treasurer Connie McPherson, Jerry Carroll, Julene Knudson, and Executive Director Steve Throop (ex officio).
- **Observers:** Ivabelle Barton, Gretchen Best, Wretha Haines, Jim Hartzler, Jean Lockwood, Janet McClain, Ken Ostrum, and Bill Russo.

**Officers' Monthly Reports.**

- **Secretary:** The Council did not meet in July. There were no corrections or additions to the minutes from June 7. Julene Knudson moved that the report be accepted. The motion was seconded and carried. The minutes will be distributed to Council members and Steve Throop, posted in the Community Center, and published in the Legacy Village Voice.
- **Treasurer:** Since the Council did not meet in July, reports were given for June and July. The Advisory Council Fund had no financial activity in June and ended the month with a balance of \$393.44. The Flower Fund had no receipts in June, but expended \$40.00, and ended the month with a balance of \$514.00. Neither fund had financial activity in July and they ended the month with the same balances as June. Julene Knudson moved that the reports be accepted. The motion was seconded and carried. The reports will be filed with the Secretary's official minutes.



**Business** (Residents' concerns addressed by Steve Throop and discussed by the Council)

**1. What was the reason for the three-week delay in grass mowing for Independent Living? It appeared that the apartments and Assisted Living were not delayed.** [Answer from Brightview]: *There's a couple reasons they missed the mowing. During two of the visits they were instructed to prioritize the pruning services. Since we don't have a separate pruning team anymore we rely on the maintenance teams to complete the pruning during their regular visits. They are given a set amount of hours to complete these tasks and often have to skip other services as a result. It was scheduled to be mowed last week [the day after they mowed the field], however they had a major equipment issue in the morning on their way to Xenia and lost a majority of the day. Additionally, all my teams are instructed to skip any areas of grass that appear to be dry and dormant as these mowers can damage the turf while it's in that condition.*

[Additional comments from Steve indicated that Brightview has a communication problem since we were not notified of their changing plans]

**2. The "Hidden Drive" sign in the yard of 815 Spurgeon is in need of concrete rather than just a rock to secure it more firmly.** [Steve]: *We will work to get this set later this week when we should have several dry days in a row.* [Discussion followed] *Is the sign even necessary? Is it accomplishing its purpose? Is it in the best location for visibility? It was moved by Jerry Carroll that the sign be relocated across the sidewalk and reinstalled with concrete in the narrow strip of grass adjacent to the parking area. The motion was seconded and carried.*

**3. Any progress on the entrance lights at Union and Luther being fixed?** [Steve]: *The cost for this will be several thousand dollars as the interior wiring needs to be replaced. At this time this is being put off until next year.* [Discussion]: *Was the sign damaged by a storm for which there could be an insurance claim? Steve will investigate.*

**4. Any update from Nation Church Residences on replacing shrubs and trees that were planted last year at their direction?** [Steve]: *Photos of specific items would be helpful for identification. He will investigate the agreement with the*

*company that did the work.*

**5. Any updates on the drainage problem on Spurgeon?** [Steve]: *I hope to get a quote this week for the drainage work.* [Discussion]: *Jim Hartzler was very upset over the situation on his property which has not been remedied after many months. Steve did not have an answer but stated that he, too, was frustrated with this situation that affects back yards on Spurgeon.*

**6. Any updates on the light pole repairs at 876 and 866 Spurgeon?** [Steve]: *This will be done as part of the repairs from the wind damage. Most likely it will be last on the list after the roofs and siding/soffit work.*

**7. Have you had a chance to reposition the stop sign at Spurgeon and Luther that is hidden by the trees?** [Steve]: *I'm working on getting the concrete contractor back to move that sign.* [Discussion]: *Perhaps it would be better to remove the offending tree than to move the sign.*

**8. Could someone advise landscapers that this is a smoke-free campus? One individual was seen smoking at a recent mowing.** [Steve]: *Brightview will review this with the crew again.*

#### **Other Business introduced at the meeting:**

**1. When will the requested recycling bins be distributed?** [Steve]: *Only two have been delivered so far but he will press Rumpke for an answer.*

**2. When will signs identifying the Community Center be available?** [Steve]: *no answer yet.*

**3. Report from Bill Russo about the development of Legacy Village farm field nature trails.**

*"This is a follow-up to our June and July meetings. We have scheduled a planning meeting for all those who wish to have a part in guiding the future of our paths in any way. If you do not wish to participate actively but still wish to be kept informed of the ongoing activities, please so indicate by email. The meeting will be held on Thursday, August 18, at the Community Center from 2 to 3 pm. RSVP by August 15 to Bill Russo."*

**4. Standing Committee replacements will be needed.** Roberta Brown and Mary Jordan have indicated that they will be concluding their Decorating Committee responsibilities as of December 31. It was suggested that a note be placed in the Legacy Village Voice to generate some interest among possible replacements.

**5. Community Center Reservations.** It was reported that occasionally some who reserve the Community Center for private events are not following all of the established rules for clean-up and garbage disposal (see Resident Handbook p. 9-10). A discussion followed on whether to charge a fee for private users. Julene Knudson and Vern Best were appointed as a committee to prepare an agreement for building use for presentation to the Council at a future meeting.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned with a motion by Julene Knudson that was seconded and carried. The next Council meeting is scheduled for September 6.

David McClain, Secretary

## NEED A FITNESS LIFT?

Fitness classes are available all over Legacy Village thanks to Barb Rost.

Join Barb for fun fitness at the Community Center, Independent Apartments, and the Assisted Living Building.



## Roof repairs were done on the Community Center and patio homes

