## **Upcoming Events**

- Prank Party
- Bake & Boogie: Dying Eggs
- Easter Party
- Leonardo Da Vinci Still Life Painting
- Concert with Jeff Levine
- **Broadway Sing Along**
- Concert with Brian Rudolph
- Pet Visit with Shea
- Concert with Jocelyn
- Star of the Month: Debbie Reynolds
- Volunteer Appreciation Week
- Stand Up Comedy Jokes
- Pet Visit with Alex
- Concert with Davis Bradley
- Earth Day Dirt Pudding Social
- Susie Q Sing Along
- Pet Visit with Fluffernutter & Aristotle
- Academy Award Winning Songs
- Arts & Crafts: Flower Arranging with Dana
- International Dance Day Dance-a-thon
- Concert with Steven Garcia
- Family Support Group
- Bake & Boogie: Peppermint Patty Cupcakes
- Arbor Day Social & Tree Tunes

#### **MARCH HIGHLIGHTS**

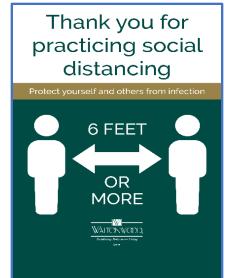












## \$3,500 RESIDENT REFERRAL BONUS

Have you shared your love for Waltonwood lately? When you refer someone to a Waltonwood community, they'll thank you for it - and then we'll thank you for it too! Ask for details!



# **ASHBURN** CONNECT

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Spring, also known as the vernal equinox where both days and nights are 12 hours long is a time of rebirth, rejuvenation, renewal and regrowth. And what a perfect time for life enrichment to start getting Independent Living Manager back into the groove of bringing back some of our favorite activities we are now able to have on the calendar once again in person. April brings Resident Care Manager us April Fools Day where fun pranks are played and Easter brings fun and candy to kids and seniors as well as a renewed spirit. Volunteer AL Wellness Coordinator Appreciation Week is the 18<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> of April. Even though volunteers have not been able to come into the community, they have still provided innovative ways to continue providing our regularly scheduled activities throughout the pandemic. We thank them for their dedication and service. We celebrate Earth Day and Arbor Day as a way of showing our appreciation to Mother Earth and our concern for the wellbeing of our planet. You can enjoy the brightly colored flowers and fragrances in our courtyards as well as take in the warm sunlight and catch a breath the fresh air. Life is good at Waltonwood.

#### **COMMUNITY**

#### **MANAGEMENT**

Chris Leinauer **Executive Director** 

Audrey Poore **Business Office Manager** 

Tiffany Ashton Marketing Manager

Kathleen Kisiah Marketing Manager

Eduardo Villasmil Culinary Manager

Rudy Williamson Maintenance Manager

Chandis Parris

Maria Manalo

Kesha Sampson

Megan Mastre MC Wellness Coordinator

Jocelyn Jackson AL Life Enrichment Manager

Robin Burke IL Life Enrichment Manager

Kate Ritchie MC Life Enrichment Manager

## **ASSOCIATE OF THE MONTH – Sue Thompson-Popper**

Congratulations to Sue Thompson Popper for being selected as Employee of the Month! Sue was selected because she goes above and beyond.

Sue has been working for Waltonwood Ashburn since October 2018. Sue worked in radio and television broadcasting for 22 years. She was a Traffic Reporter for XM Radio in Washington, DC. During this time, she met many musicians and attended several concerts. After deciding to make a career change, Sue's been a Personal Trainer, Fitness Director and Nutrition Coach during her years in the Fitness Industry.

Sue teaches a variety of classes at Waltonwood including Balance Training, Strength Training, Cognitive Cardio, Walking Club, Yoga and Water Aerobics. She loves watching residents get stronger, more confident and improve their balance. The look of personal accomplishment when residents achieve a new training goal is one of the most rewarding things she has experienced in her career as a personal trainer.

In Sue's spare time she loves working out and pushing her limits to get stronger. She loves hanging out with her husband and rescue Chow Chow, Chili Dog. They also enjoy checking out new shows on Netflix.

## **FOREVER FIT – A Sunny Spring**

Spring is finally here and with it comes longer days, warmer temperatures and plenty of sunshine. While there certainly may be reason to proceed cautiously and avoid overexposure to the sun's rays, there are also plenty of reasons to step outside and take some of them in. When done in moderation regular bouts of sun exposure have been shown to provide numerous benefits that can actually help enhance mood and overall wellbeing. Most people know that sunlight offers an abundance of vitamin D, but what most people don't realize is that in just 10-15 minutes of sun exposure each day you can actually achieve the FDA recommended daily allowance of 1000 international units. Regular sunlight has also been shown to increase serotonin levels, a neurotransmitter often regarded as the chemical responsible for maintaining mood balance. By adding just a few minutes outside to your daily routine you can help ward off some of the seasonal blues that tend to set in over the dark cold winter months. So, this April do yourself a huge favor, step outside take a deep breath and let the power of the sun go to work for you!

#### TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

#### **MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS**

#### Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday

- Appointments must be made using the "Transportation Request Form" located at the front desk
  - o Monday-Friday
  - o 8am-3pm
  - o Minimum 48 hours in advance
  - o Maximum 2 weeks in advance
- Residents must:
  - o sanitize hands when entering transportation vehicle
  - WEAR MASK AT ALL TIMES. NO EXEPTIONS

#### WALTONWOOD UPDATE

We appreciate you participating in the community-wide COVID vaccine clinic. All staff will continue to be rapid tested every week. The test administered will be a nasal swab and the test results will take approximately 15 minutes to receive. Family members are now permitted to visit but must be scheduled with Resident Care – <a href="mailto:kesha.sampson@singhmail.com">kesha.sampson@singhmail.com</a>. Please continue to practice safety protocols by socially distancing and wearing your mask when you are not in your apartment. If you leave the community, please follow the health checks at the front door. We thank you for your cooperation.

## **RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS**

4/13 Ruth Compton

4/27 Doris Maiale



## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CORNER – CHRIS LEINAUER**

Spring is upon us. The weather is warmer and the days are getting longer. In April, we begin to revive our outdoor areas. The fountains will be turned on, the exterior and courtyard areas will be landscaped and the trees, shrubs and plants will begin to blossom. This spring, make an effort to get outside to enjoy our beautiful property. We have many new residents joining us as well. Please reach out and introduce yourself to our new neighbors and friends. Help acclimate them to community life and welcome them to the Waltonwood family.