



# INGLESIDE COMMUNITIES

# NEWS

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## Ingleside Communities

Check out our Facebook and tiktok page to see some of the highlighted events we are doing in activities. [Bit.ly/fb-ing](https://bit.ly/fb-ing)

### We're welcoming new residents!

Call 608-470-4046 to schedule a tour today for our assisted living.



Pick up a calendar in the activity room for events!

## Facility News

We celebrated Grandparents Day with an ice cream social, cheered on the Iron Man Race, attended the senior center for bingo, had Jim Hetzel in for the birthday party and went "Bobbing for Apples"/ we used reachers instead of the traditional way to bob for apples!



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Bryna Urich, Administrator  
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### TODAY'S SENIOR LIVING

As a non-profit 501c3 community, we thank you for supporting our mission of service to seniors through tax-deductible donations of cash or useful items. Please call our office.



More photos inside!

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**Donation Needed:** Ingleside Activity Department is looking for bingo prize donations, examples stuffed animals, *new* perfumes, *new* soaps, door decorations, you name it! If you are looking to donate a specific item we have an amazon WISH List: [bit.ly/i-wishes](https://bit.ly/i-wishes) Thank you for your continued support!

# Resident of the Month: Jim P.

I was born to James and Ada Pecquex in Brooklyn, New York on July 1, 1935. My dad worked for the post office and my mom was a homemaker. I was one of five children living in what was called a "railroad flat". The name comes from the similarity to a passenger railroad car, with no hallways. These flats were stacked on top of each other, so often grandparents and newly married children would live in the same building on a different floor. That was the case with my family, so my childhood was filled with multi-generational family events and lots of cousins. Thanksgiving or Easter celebrations of 25+ family members were not uncommon.

Our Catholic family was very close, and we had many neighborhood friends. We played stoopball, punchball, marbles and flipped baseball cards on the streets of Brooklyn. My crooked nose still bears witness to the fall I took when playing stoopball that broke my nose. After only two high school years, I left and began working a variety of jobs, including selling newspapers, working at a bakery, and working as a laborer on the shipping docks. I did go back to receive my high school diploma years later.

When I was 18, I had just taken a girl out on a date and walked her home. I had noticed a girl sitting on her front porch as we walked by, about 5 blocks from my home, and decided to walk back to see if she was still there. I introduced myself and we talked until almost 2:00 in the morning. That girl's name was Madeline (Maddy), and three years later she would become my wife.

Madeline and I rented a flat in the same building with my parents and began our family. Our first child, Renee' arrived in 1957. Jim was born the following year and Daniel, Mathew, and Francis (Frank) were born in the years following. By 1965, it became clear that we needed more space for our growing family, so we bought a house in Roslyn Heights, about a 20-minute drive from our previous home in Brooklyn.

Growing up we lived right across the street from a firehouse. As a young boy, I was fascinated by watching the firetrucks come and go and the firemen working on them between calls. This had a major impact on my life because it led me to apply to become a firefighter myself. I passed the tests, took the training, and was accepted on a probationary basis in 1960. I started at Station 222 in Brooklyn. While still a "Probie", I would participate in extinguishing the biggest fire of my career. On December 19, 1960, the USS Constellation, a naval aircraft supercarrier, caught fire, claiming the lives of 50 civilian workers, and injuring 330 others. See the article describing the fire linked here: <https://www.wnyc.org/story/uss-constellation-fire-at-the-brooklyn-navy-yard/>

I had found my calling in the Fire Department of New York. I was a firefighter for 28 years, rising to the rank of Lieutenant. During that long tenure I was with Station 222 until I was promoted to lieutenant, at which time I moved to Station 245 on Coney Island. The relationship among

firefighters is unique. We loved to joke with each other and pull tricks, but we had great respect for each and every member of our team.

I worked long hours with the FDNY, however, in the days I had off, I loved nothing more than to play with the kids. We would ride horses, shoot bows and arrows, play football and other games. I was designated the "Commissioner and Hall of Fame Quarterback" for what we called the Snoopy League of touch football players. We would walk in the woods, and I joked with the kids about "Charm Trees" that produced Charm candies which would appear magically in my hands when I reached into the tree limbs.

Maddy and I had a wonderful life together, being married for 62 years before she passed away six years ago. After raising the children, Maddy did go back to work at the local high school in food services for



a period. She then got certified as a Nursing Assistant and worked in a nursing home. I think of her when I am being helped by the CNAs now at Ingleside.

After we both retired, we enjoyed travel, going all around the northeast states, to Florida often and occasionally Arizona. We made many trips to visit European countries. We left New York and moved to Virginia for a three-year period until she passed away.

At that time, I agreed to move to Wisconsin to be close to my son, Jim and miraculous Marie, my son Jim's wife. I lived with Jim and his family for about a year and then moved to All Saints Assisted Living Center. I moved into Ingleside in 2022 when it became clear I needed a higher level of care. I appreciate the care and assistance I receive from the staff. They are good to me.

I pray for my children and grandchildren every day. They are always there when I need them, especially Jim and Marie. Even though my other children live in other states, I speak with them on the phone regularly. Jim takes me to his home for family meals and takes care of my shopping. I enjoy going for car rides and boat rides and love to be in the outdoors...but not so much in the cold Wisconsin winters though!

I hope my children feel I was always there for them when needed while they were growing up. They are returning the favor for me now.

**THANKSGIVING MEAL** – If you want to share a Thanksgiving meal with your loved one here at Ingleside, we suggest bringing in food to share with your loved one if you come in with family, if you are planning to eat the Ingleside meal there will be a small fee to be paid prior. Please call 608-470-4017 to reserve a room as extra space is limited and is first come by November 17th.

## More Activity Photo Highlights



# Employees of the Month



**Diane S.** Nurse- First of all, I wish to thank the residents for voting for me! I am a 'newbie' here at Ingleside compared to most of my co-workers. I am a native of California and Colorado, only living in Wisconsin for the past 6 years. I have worked in long term care my entire life and enjoy the wisdom and stories I learn from all the clients I have met over the years! I am excited to learn more about this area of Wisconsin and becoming part of this community! '

**Debra F.** Nursing Assistant-I enjoy helping others as it is rewarding! I like getting to know residents and hearing about their accomplishments. I am from Stoughton, WI.

# Happy Birthday!

11/5	Ana S
11/6	Lexi T
11/14	Prisciliana T
11/17	Hannah L
11/17	Brooklyn S
11/19	Joan L
11/20	Debra F
11/26	Judy C
11/30	Jackie A

# Happy Anniversary!

11/4	Sylvia M	1 year
11/8	Dale W	5 years
11/12	Peyton E	1 year
11/15	Amy K	7 years
11/16	Macie A	1 year
11/17	Shea K	1 year
11/19	Brooklyn S	1 year
11/22	Chris F	2 years
11/22	Michelle H	1 year
11/23	Joan L	3 years
11/26	NeNe B	2 years
11/29	Kim K	2 years



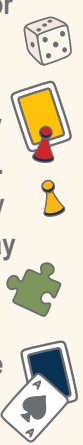
# HAPPY VETERANS DAY

**NOVEMBER 11**

*Honoring All Who Have Served*

# PUZZLE & GAME WEEK

Many of us have set traditions for Thanksgiving. Puzzle and Game Week is the perfect opportunity to start a new one, get the family together and lessen screen time. Let each generation of the family choose a different game each day of the week. Play individually or on teams by pairing different generations together. Game time is sure to be full of memories.



## CLASSIC GAMES: RECENTLY POPULAR:

Uno	Exploding Kittens
Connect Four	Blank Slate
Monopoly	Apples to Apples
Scrabble	Unstable Unicorns
Yahtzee!	Bananagrams

# Honoring home care month

## THANK YOU TO ALL HOME CARE WORKERS

We salute rehab therapists, nurses, home health aides & non-medical caregivers for helping our discharged residents continue to heal in the comfort of home.

