



Briarwood  
Village

A community of friends

100 Don Desch Drive  
Coldwater, OH 45828

## National Volunteer Week April 18 - 24, 2010

Thanks, Volunteer  
Thanks for all the little things,  
The "done-and-then-forgotten" things,  
The "oh-it's-simply-nothing" things  
That make our days much brighter.  
With unobtrusive, friendly things,  
And "never-mind-the-trouble" things,  
And "won't-you-let-me-help-you" things,  
You've made our hearts much lighter.

~ Author unknown

## Briarwood Village Family Meetings

**Date:** Thursday, March 25

**Times:** 2:00pm or 7:00pm

**Who:** Families, you are invited to a meeting just for you!

**Where:** Briarwood Village Gathering Place

Please come for updates on events and happenings at the Village, a Question & Answer Forum, and an opportunity to share suggestions! After the meeting, you'll have the chance to meet with staff individually to share any specific concerns.

If you have any questions about the event, please contact Tara Sibert or Jana Ranly.

## More Winter Fun at Briarwood Village!

Briarwood Village took on a different look in the month of February - a look that included lots of white! Large drifts and icicles were visible around campus. Inside, things were warm and cozy!



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### Briarwood Village Department Heads

Tara Sibert .....	Executive Director
Jana Ranly.....	Director of Independent and Assisted Living
Mary Delzeith.....	Director of Nursing
Mandy Wendel.....	Community Coordinator
Deb Post.....	Business Office Manager
Cheryl Laux .....	Resident Services Coordinator
Nicole Rasmussen.....	Director of Food Services
Cindy Koester .....	Life Enrichment Coordinator
Steve Laux.....	Director of Environmental Services

### Dear Residents and Family:

Beginning January 1, 2010, therapy services covered by Medicare Part B will be limited to the following dollar amounts:

- \$1,860 per calendar year for Physical and Speech Therapy (combined)
- \$1,860 per calendar year for Occupational Therapy

The Therapy Caps apply to Medicare B and outpatient therapy services provided by therapists, physicians, some non-physician practitioners provided in skilled nursing facilities, rehab centers, and other health care settings offering outpatient therapy.

The therapy caps do not apply to therapy provided during a hospital inpatient stay, outpatient at a hospital setting, during a Medicare Part A skilled stay at a nursing facility or therapy services provided during a home health stay when home-bound.

Once the annual benefits are exhausted, Medicare will no longer pay for such therapy services and the beneficiary (resident) is responsible for payment of any continued therapy services, personally or through any other available insurance benefits.

In an effort to assist our residents and families to manage their Medicare B therapy, we will notify the resident and/or representative in writing prior to exceeding the cap. This will allow all parties to make an informed decision regarding therapy services.

The care community will continue to utilize therapy services as a means to restore each resident to their highest level of independent functioning in areas of self care, ambulation/mobility, pain management, etc. With communication and coordination between all parties, we are certain that we can effectively manage this change.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Medicare B Therapy Cap Limits, please contact a care community representative. We welcome an opportunity to answer your questions.

*Tara L. Sibert, RNHA*  
Executive Director

## Banking Services Available at Briarwood Village

Briarwood Village is happy to announce that the bank is now available for residents' use! The Peoples Bank Co. will meet with residents on an as scheduled basis in the bank on Main Street. Residents will be able to complete withdrawals, deposits, or other banking transactions or just have the opportunity to meet with a Peoples Bank Co. representative. To schedule a banking appointment or with any questions about this service, please see Deb Post, Business Office Manager, located in the bank on Briarwood Village's Main Street, or contact her at 419-678-2311.

## Gathering Place and Private Dining Room Use

Briarwood Village has provided us with many new amenities and services, which also includes more space for residents and families to use! This space includes the Gathering Place and Private Dining Room. Remember, these rooms are available **free of charge** for residents and families to use for any type of event, whether it's a birthday, anniversary, or holiday party, a family get together, wedding or baby shower, or just a place to have a private family meal. These rooms can be reserved 6 months in advance. To reserve either the Gathering Place or Private Dining Room, please contact the receptionist.

## Visitors & Accessibility

We recognize that visitors are an important aspect of our residents' lives. Families and guests are welcome to visit residents anytime. For security purposes, the doors at Briarwood Village are locked every evening. The main entrance on Main Street is locked between 7:30pm & 8:00pm. Doors to each individual neighborhood do not lock until after 10:00pm. All doors are unlocked the next morning around 6:30am. If you are coming here after hours, a door bell is located at the main entrance door on Main Street. With summer, warm weather, and longer days approaching (hopefully quickly!) the Main Street entrance will remain open until approximately 9:00pm. If you have any questions or concerns regarding accessibility to Briarwood Village, please contact Tara Sibert, Executive Director.

## Briarwood Village Newsletter

Briarwood uses this newsletter as a main way to communicate events, updates, and information with our family members. The family member listed as the responsible party for our residents is the family member that receives the newsletter in the mail. Additional copies of the newsletter are available outside of Mandy Wendel's office. Also, the newsletter is available on our website at [www.briarwood-village.com](http://www.briarwood-village.com) via the "newsletter" link on the home page. Please share this with your family members so everyone knows the happenings at the Village!

**Spring has sprung!...which usually means that it is the time of year for wonderful celebrations like Easter, St. Patrick's Day and April Fools Day! But, don't forget about these important and exciting spring events!**

**March  
Optimism Month**

**March 1  
Peanut Butter Lovers Day**

**March 3  
I Want You to be Happy Day**

**March 7  
Unique Names Day**

**March 20  
First day of Spring!**

**March 22  
International Goof-Off Day**

**April  
National Humor Month/Holy Humor Month**

**April 1-7  
Laugh At Work Week**

**April 18  
National Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day**

**April 17-23  
Egg Salad Week**

**April 23  
International Sing Out Loud Day**

**April 27  
Tell A Story Day**

## Winter Fun at Briarwood Village!

With the numerous large snow falls in our area this winter, Briarwood Village experienced its first "big" snow! The Village made the most of it with snow angels, a Village Snow Man, and beautiful winter scenery.



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Life Enrichment Coordinator Cindy Koester took a moment to create a snow angel as several residents watched from the Gathering Place - proving that Cindy truly is an "Activity Angel!"

With the help of large mounds of snow from the snow plows, a snow man was created just west of the Main Entrance, near the entrance to outpatient therapy, creating a buzz around campus about our new resident and bringing lots of smiles to the young Briarwood visitors!



## Mark your Calendars!

March 3 - Guitar Guy 2:30

March 7 - Stations 2:00

March 18 - Maple Run B and Willow View Dinner at 5:30 PM

March 28 - Stations 2:00

March 31 - Easter Egg Decorating, 2:00

April 2 - Good Friday Services, 2:30

April 3 - Easter Egg Hunt, 2:00

April 5 - Sunshine Singers 3:00

April 7 - Alfreda and Elsie 2:00

April 15 - Birch Wood Family Dinner at 5:30 PM

April 21 - Red Hat Dance 2:00

April 25 - Ice Cream Social 2:00

April 28 - Mr. Ed and Company 2:00

April 29 - Thien Snipps 6:30



## Dilly Veggie Pizza Recipe

This is a great way to use up leftover chopped veggies, or start new ones! It's a cinch to prepare and you can change the mixture to match your kids' taste buds. Always popular at special events, it tastes just as good the next day.

Prep: 20 min. Bake: 10 min.

### Directions:

Unroll crescent dough into one long rectangle. Press onto the bottom of a greased 13-in. x 9-in. baking pan; seal seams. Bake at 375° for 10-12 minutes or until golden brown. Cool completely on a wire rack.

Spread dip over crust; sprinkle with the carrots, broccoli, tomatoes, onions and olives. Cut into squares. Refrigerate leftovers. Yield: 15 servings.

Nutrition Facts: 1 serving (1 piece) equals 225 calories, 20 g fat (3 g saturated fat), 12 mg cholesterol, 290 mg sodium, 11 g carbohydrate, 1 g fiber, 2 g protein.

### Ingredients:

1 tube (8 ounces) refrigerated crescent rolls

1-1/2 cups vegetable dill dip

2 medium carrots, chopped

1 cup finely chopped fresh broccoli

1 cup chopped seeded tomatoes

4 green onions, sliced

1 can (2-1/4 ounces) sliced ripe olives, drained