

# NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**November 2020**

## VOTING BUS

The bus is scheduled to go to the polls on  
**Tuesday, November 3rd at 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM.**  
 Green Hills is NOT a polling place for this election.  
 The polling place is located at Research Park, Building #2.

## WOMEN PHOTOGRAPHERS PRESENTATION

**Tuesday, November 3rd at 2:30 PM**  
**Zoom Presentation / Community Room**

This presentation focuses on women photographers exhibited at the Des Moines Art Center: Dorothea Lange, Amy Mann, Cindy Sherman and Laurel Nakadate.



**A zoom link will be emailed out to all residents the day before the presentation. Maria Cochran, docent at Des Moines Art Center will give this presentation. Residents can also watch the presentation in the Community Room. Sign up in the bus book.**

## TRIVIA TIME

**Thursday, November 5th and  
 November 19th  
 2:00 PM  
 Community Room**

Do you enjoy trivia or want to learn something new? Attend this informal trivia game in the Community Room. Masks are required. Sign up in the bus book.

## SCENIC BUS RIDE

**Friday, November 6th  
 2:30 PM**

Take a scenic trip east of Ames to the small towns of Nevada and Colo. Sign up in the bus book. There is a limited number of seats on the bus and masks are required.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Maureen Wilt—11/1  
 Richard Warwick—11/4  
 Helen Crockett—11/7  
 Margaret Ling—11/11  
 Janet Shoenhair—11/12  
 Irene Switzer—11/12  
 Bill Whitman—11/14  
 Peter Pattee—11/15  
 Ann Meierkord—11/16  
 Alan Atherly—11/19  
 Larry Mitchell—11/23  
 Bruce Munson—11/25  
 John Essig—11/29  
 Bud Nichol—11/29  
 Carolyn Jons—11/30

## The Lindens

John Tait—11/25

## SPRING FORWARD FALL BACK

Don't forget to turn your clocks one hour back before going to bed on Saturday, October 31st. Daylight Saving Time Ends on Sunday, November 1st at 2:00 AM.

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## IN MEMORY



Our heartfelt sympathy goes  
 out to the family and friends of Sally Greve.

## LOOKING FOR A VOCATIONAL PROJECT?

### MAKE PLARN!

In Le Bistro

Thursdays, November 5, 12, and 19

3:00 PM

You may donate your plastic store bags for recycling (clean and dry) to the coat closet across from the Community Room. Over the past couple of years, Green Hills residents have participated in a project to turn plastic bags into a mat for homeless individuals or shelters. The first step in creating the mat is making plarn, which is plastic yarn. It is a simple process to make the plarn and if you want to help, plarn making groups will meet on the dates listed above.

Residents will just be making the plarn which strings together like a rope. We will donate the plarn to a college student who took on this project and will turn the plastic yarn into a bed mat.



### RECREATIONAL GAMES

#### IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

Pending the state of the campus, games will be offered in the Community Room. Residents will need to social distance and practice proper hand hygiene. The games will be set up on Friday afternoon to be played all weekend and taken down Monday morning.

**November 6-8** Giant Jenga and Yahtzee

**November 13-15** Shuffle Board

**November 20-21** Pickleball

**November 27-29** Giant Jenga and Yahtzee

### REMINDER FOR MOVIES



Please remember during the movie showings, there should be 2 seats between you and another resident not in your party.

Movie suggestions and recommendations are always welcome. Give ideas to Leisure Services at X5006.

## SAVE THE DATE



### Veterans Day

**Wednesday, November 11th**

A virtual Veteran's Day program will be sent via email to all residents. More information to come.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION

#### ZOOM PRESENTATION

**Notable Women of Ames**

**Wednesday, November 11 at 10:00 AM**

Alex Fejfar, Exhibits Manager at the Ames History Museum, will present on Notable Women of Ames.

### HAPPY 60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

to Green Hills Residents

Joe and Shala Ludley

on Friday, November 20th.

They want to share their celebration with everyone with a cupcake give away. Located near Le Bistro.



***Activities are subject to change with current state of the campus.***

## DONATION DAY A SUCCESS

The Green Hills Donation day on Friday, October 23 was a huge success. Donations filled 4 vehicles. A special thanks to those who helped load and unload the vehicles and the Green Team Committee members.



Kris Parsons, a representative of Four Feathers, said she will probably take 6 truck loads of donations to South Dakota this year for the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Kris said that the Indian Reservation has between 20,000-30,000 people. Medical supplies are limited and they only have 4 ventilators available to them. Currently, Pine Ridge has 350 active Covid-19 cases and are going on lockdown. Kris works with tribal agencies that know the needs of the people and distribute the donations accordingly.

### GROCERY SHOPPING TRIPS

The bus goes to the grocery stores at 8:00 AM on the following dates:

**HYVEE:** November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

**FAREWAY:** November 5, 12, 19 and Wed., Nov 25

### READING A LOT LATELY?

### JUST A REMINDER

### LIBRARY CATALOG SYSTEM

The Green Hills Library books are cataloged in a computer system that all residents can access. New books and donations are processed in a timely manner and entered in the system so there is a complete record of them. The current catalog is contained in the computer on the counter under the windows in the library. The computer is on, and you can access the catalog and search for the book or books that you are interested in. There is an instruction sheet, in plastic, next to the computer that tells you how to access the catalog and search for whatever book you may want. If a member of the Library Committee is on duty, that person will be happy to help you.



### KLAAS HONORED WITH ADA HAYDEN STONE

Ames Parks and Recreation Department and the Friends of Ada Hayden Heritage Park recently held a dedication ceremony for the addition of a heritage stone at Ada Hayden Heritage Park honoring Dr. Erwin Klaas.

Ada Hayden Heritage Park currently has nine heritage stones placed throughout the park recognizing individuals who have made significant contributions to the conservation of natural resources in Iowa. The Friends of Ada Hayden Heritage Park, a partner in the management of the park, proposed the addition of a 10th stone to honor Dr. Klaas because of his efforts in getting the park established and his continued effort in renovating the park to its native habitat.

Dr. Klaas's contributions to conservation in Iowa started in 1975 when he served as Professor of Animal Ecology and a leader of the Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Unit at Iowa State University until his retirement in 1999. After retirement, he used his knowledge and connections with Iowa State and the Ames community to organize a sampling of the plants and animals at the abandoned rock quarry on the north side of Ames.



## Erma Bombeck's thoughts on Thanksgiving:

*"What we are really talking about is a wonderful day set aside on the fourth Thursday of November when no one diets. I mean, why else would they call it Thanksgiving?"*



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## Show Appreciation to Employees of Green Hills

Green Hills residents decided many years ago that there would be no tipping for employee services. Instead, it was decided to have an annual staff-appreciation event, in December, and provide a gift of appreciation to each employee of the Resident Association and of The Health Care Corporation. **This year our Staff Appreciation program will be held on December 9, at 10:00 AM for GH Resident Association employees and at 1:30 PM for GH Health Care employees, barring changes due to COVID-19.**

A letter from the Employee Appreciation Committee is being sent to all residents asking for contributions to the Employee Appreciation Fund. Please consider being as generous as you are able as a way to say, "Thank You," at this time of year to our loyal employees. We have set a goal this year to raise \$85,000.00. Last year contributions averaged \$485.52 with a maximum of \$3500.00.

The Appreciation Fund is distributed among all employees based upon the number of hours each has worked this past year, regardless of their job or length of service. Only Kat Kilbane and Jessica Walker, as well as Josh Naviasky, are excluded as each is employed by Life Care Services.

Our employees provide a wide range of services. This past year has been unprecedented given the COVID-19 pandemic. Maintenance and outside yard work or snow removal still made demands. Additional services have also been provided since last March when we essentially shut down all activities. During this time period staff has worked diligently to keep us healthy and safe. This is a good time to say: "Thank you," for all their efforts for our benefit.

Remember, your contribution is your decision. Please be as generous as possible.

Your donation may be either cash or check. Make checks payable to "Green Hills Appreciation Fund." All donations are confidential! Place your contribution in the envelope provided and leave it at the reception desk no later than December 2, 2020. Additional envelopes are available at the reception desk.

Thank you for your generosity.

**Your 2020 Employee Appreciation Committee: Clifford Smith (Chair), Carol Wright, Carolyn Jons, Joan Mathews, Rae Reilly**

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