

# THE VILLAGE VOICE

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## Tammy Talk

As I look back over the last couple of month's I can see several blessings that have occurred in our little village. Winning a 1million dollar grant to make where you live look a whole lot nicer. The White Elephant was dedicated to Fannie Ruth. Her sister and niece were here to accept the honor for her and

the Library has been dedicated to Doris Marks with her daughter, her best friend Sharron Wheatley there by her side. For a lot of us, it would be the last time that many of us would see Sharron. We will always keep her in our hearts. We thank her for sharing her precious momma with us. We are still

keeping Peggy in our prayers daily as well as her family. We never know what tomorrow brings, so please hug your loved ones and let them know now how much you love them. Go see your family or call them today. Call that friend you've been meaning to call. Don't put it off.

We are coming up on another Veteran's happy hour Friday August 4th. A surprise drink special awaits you and some Pictionary! I do hope you all plan to attend. Also, Senior Olympics in October!

### Have you ever wondered how each month got it's name?

**JANUARY:** Named for the Roman god Janus, protector of gates and doorways. Janus is depicted with two faces, one looking into the past, the other into the future. In ancient Roman times, the gates of the temple of Janus were open in times of war and closed in times of peace.

**FEBRUARY:** From the Latin word *februa*, "to cleanse." The Roman calendar month of Februarius was named or Februalia, a festival of purification and atonement that took place during this period.

**MARCH:** Named for the Roman god of war, Mars. This was the time of year to resume military campaigns that had been interrupted by winter. March was also a time of many festivals, presumably in preparation for the campaigning season.

**APRIL:** From the Latin word *aperio*, "to open (bud)," because plants begin to grow in this month. In essence, this month was viewed as spring's renewal.

**MAY:** Named for the Roman goddess Maia, who oversaw the growth of plants. Also from the Latin word *maiores*, "elders," who were celebrated during this month. Maia was considered a nurturer and an earth goddess, which may explain the connection with this springtime month.

**JUNE:** Named for the Roman goddess Juno, patroness of marriage and the well-being of women. Also from the Latin word *juvenis*, "young people."

**JULY:** Named to honor Roman dictator Julius Caesar (100 B.C. – 44 B.C.) after his death. In 46 B.C., Julius Caesar made one of his greatest contributions to history: With the help of Sosigenes, he developed the Julian calendar, the precursor to the Gregorian calendar we use today.

**AUGUST:** Named to honor the first Roman emperor (and grandnephew of Julius Caesar), Augustus Caesar (63 B.C. – A.D. 14). Augustus (the first Roman emperor) comes from the Latin word "augustus," meaning venerable, noble, and majestic.

**SEPTEMBER:** September comes from the Latin word *septem*, meaning "seven," because it was the seventh month of the early Roman calendar.

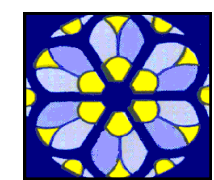
**OCTOBER:** In the ancient Roman calendar, October was the name of the eighth month of the year. Its name comes from *octo*, the Latin word for "eight." When the Romans converted to a 12-month calendar, they tried to rename this month after various Roman emperors, but the name October stuck!

In Old England, the month was called Winmonath, which means "wine month," for this was the time of year when wine was made. The English also called it Winterfylleth, or "Winter Full Moon." They considered this full Moon to be the start of winter. In weather lore, we note, "If October brings heavy frosts and winds, then will January and February be mild."

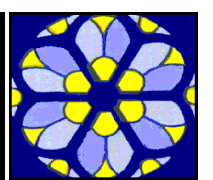
**NOVEMBER:** From the Latin word *novem*, "nine," because this had been the ninth month of the early Roman calendar.

**DECEMBER:** From the Latin word *decem*, "ten," because this had been the tenth month of the early Roman calendar. Now we know!

Have a great August! Tammy Swanson, Executive Director



**Our Mission Statement**  
Westminster Village is committed to providing an environment that encourages and enables our residents to enjoy life to the maximum of their capabilities in a relaxed atmosphere of security, comfort and dignity.





Lets go to a Game in September. Sign up with the front desk by **Wednesday, August 23rd** if you are interested in going to the game **Redbirds Game on Wednesday, September 20th.**

**Game starts at 12:05**

We will eat at the Ball Park.

**Tickets \$20.00** when you



Let's go to the **Round Up** On a Saturday in **October 4:00 PM**

We will meet at the

Ramey Center go to Subway for a sandwich then head off to the Roundup. The Round Up is a country music variety show that features local talent of Northeast Arkansas.

The show cost \$10 at the door. Sign up with the front desk.



**Westminster Village** of the Mid-South  
Active Adult Community

5215 Southside Drive  
Blytheville, AR 72315  
(870) 532-4100

### Dyersburg Lunch & Lite Shopping

10:30 Wednesday, August 23rd  
Let's go to the Dyersburg Grecian and Shopping at Marshals or Other...

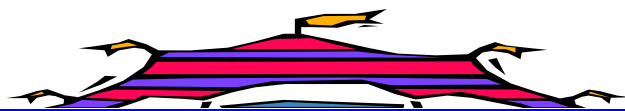
**Please sign up!**

**Tuesday, August 22nd**  
at 4 pm



Everyone come to the Ramey Center and cool off and enjoy some good ole fellowship and Ice Cream! Sign Up!

Sponsored by:  
**Carney Funeral Home**



**Relay For Life**  
5 PM Friday,  
September 8th

The Relay for Life will be at the Blytheville Park.

This is a big annual event to show our support for the many cancer patients, cancer survivors and the American Cancer Society. Everyone is invited to come out to the Relay for Life.

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### AUGUST

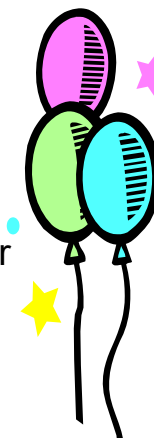
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  - 3rd Jack Thompson
  - 4th Patricia Raper
  - 7th Travis Fuller
  - 12th Melchelle Wagner
  - 13th Perry Lee Bell
  - 13th Merrill Frame
  - 13th Ella Sanders
  - 14th Shelia Blackmer
  - 14th Martha Gann
  - 15th Paul Peiffer
  - 18th Carealine Tuggle-Armstrong
  - 22nd Mark Tomlinson
  - 23rd Clare Fleckenstein
  - 23rd Frank Martinez
  - 23rd Retha Turner
  - 25th Kim Street
- Employees*
- 14th Margie DeFries
  - 29th Patrion Williams

### Move In Anniversaries

- Peggy Smith* 9 years
- Pearl Valentine* 7 years
- Gary & Vera Walker* 7 years
- Brenda Maharaj* 6 years
- Gary & Patty Guttridge* 2 years
- Clyde & Carol Stanford* 2 years
- Marion Erwin* 1 Year

### BINGO

Birthday & Move-In Anniversary Celebration  
**Tuesday, August 15th**  
3:00 PM Ramey Center  
*Must be present to win prizes.*



**Thunder Bayou Golf Course** is ranked # 4 in the state of Arkansas For more information call 532-2621.

### Westminster Village Directors

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Tammy Swanson</b>    | Executive Director     |
| <b>Cindy Williamson</b> | Administrative         |
| <b>Leslie Acred</b>     | Marketing              |
| <b>Kendall Berry</b>    | Resident Services      |
| <b>Butch Sanders</b>    | Environmental Services |
| <b>Angela Hollins</b>   | Accounting             |
| <b>Ally Swanson</b>     | Wellness Nurse         |

### Board Members

Jeremy Bennett, Billy Curl, Beth Fitzgerald, Tom Henry, David King, Roger Oldham, Janet Robertson, Victoria Sierra, Bill Sullivan, Gary Swain

### Board of Directors

- |                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>President</b>           | Janet Robertson |
| <b>Vice President</b>      | Beth Fitzgerald |
| <b>Secretary/Treasurer</b> | Roger Oldham    |

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Don't forget about the 11/12 program earn more interest than you can get from the bank! Call the accounting office for more information about this program.

### Faith In Action

Faith in Action offers the following services:  
Light Housekeeping - Respite Care - Local Transportation - Letter Writing - Telephone Reassurance.

If you need a ride you must have an application on file and give 24-hour notice. Please call 532-1501 for more information.

**Remember, you can always find the most current Village Voice in full color online at: <http://www.wmv.org/newsletter>**

### Library News

Can you believe it's August already? It is too hot outside. So stay in our cool library and check out a cool book to read..



Have a good day with a good book in August.

Your library volunteers:

Doris Marks, Loretta Heard, Donna Clayton, Dottie Kean, Susan Person, Nancy Frame, and Debra Dodson.

### Walkin' on the Memphis Bridge!

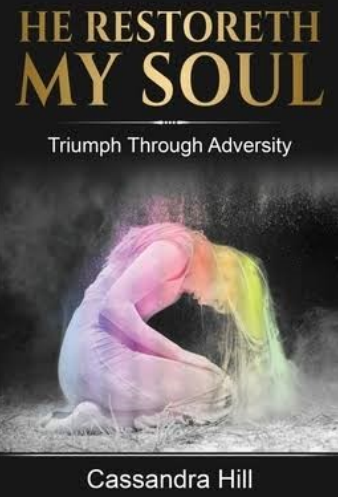


Lets Walk the Memphis Bridge ay an easy pace then go to lunch at ????. You do not have to walk the entire bridge.

### The Book Club



### Book Club



The Westminster Village Book Club will be back on Wednesday, August 9th at 2 PM in the Village Library.

The Book is ...

"He Restoreth My Soul"

By Cassandra Hill

### 10:30 AM Jonesboro Lunch & Movie

Due to timing we are going to Jonesboro to see the movie Sound of Freedom on Thursday, August 3rd.

Sign Up!



### Relay For Life Luminaria Bags

\$5

In MEMORY of someone who has lost their fight with cancer...or in HONOR of someone that is fighting the battle now.



Give Cancer the Boot! Buy a luminaria.

### Life Springs Life Counsel/Coaching

4110 Memorial DR Blytheville, AR 72315 In the Connection Church office complex behind the Chapel, suite 1 and 2.

LIFE CAN BE FUN AGAIN!

Worry, Fear, Loneliness, want to discover your Purpose, Want to forgive but can't seem to do it. has grief been controlling your night and days.

IT TIME TO FIND LIFE AGAIN, THE JOY OF LIVING!

CALL US! 870-623-4988 DR Dale Ruddick CERTIFIED Christian Counselor and Master Life Coach. Office 870-623-2623. Rhonda Smith Master Life Coach.

FREE 1 HOUR Consult for the WESTMINSTER VILLAGE residents!



### Let's go to the Dyer County Fair Senior Day

on Thursday, September 7th.

We will leave at 10:30 AM

After Exercise and Coffee

We will play Bingo and eat at the Fair a Senior lunch is provided.

Sign up if you want to go!



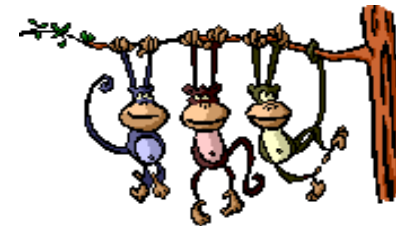
# Is coming in October! Get for ready! Get Inspired! Retired and Ready!

### CRAFTY ONES

2 PM Thursday the 10th & 24th  
2 PM in the Craft Hut



### LET'S HANG OUT AT



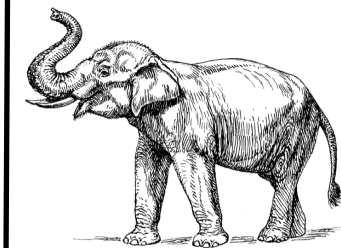
### THE MEMPHIS ZOO SENIOR DAY

Wednesday, October 4th 8 AM  
Grab your Safari hat & camera let's all go to the Memphis ZOO.

Sign Up!

We can have lunch at the Half Shell Sign Up!

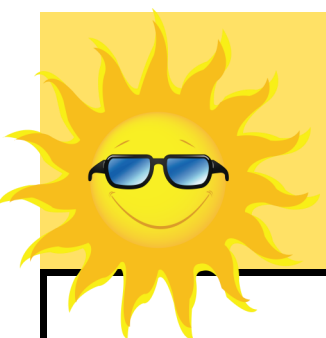
### THE WHITE ELEPHANT



Friday's 10 to 3  
Saturday's 10 to 3

Wow!! I can't believe it's August already!! I'm so ready for some cooler weather! We at the White Elephant just finished our Christmas in July sale and it went over so good!! I would like to thank everyone for all the donations and those that come to shop or just have coffee and visit, we enjoy spending time with each and every one of you. We have lots of amazing new items to see and refreshments at the door! We are open Friday's & Saturday's from 10am to 3pm. Again Thank You to all our customers for your support and donations, Mary, Kim & I love and appreciate you all.

Thank You!  
Jennifer Stigall  
The White Elephant



# August 2023 Village Voice

## Sun

## Mon

## Tue

## Wed

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## Fri



## Sat

White Elephant 11 to 3 White Elephant 11 to 3

Village Library Attendant 1 to 3

Village Library Attendant 10 to 12

Village Library Attendant 8 to 10

Village Library Attendant 1 to 3

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<b>30</b> CH = Craft Hut RC = Ramey Center VP = Village Pool	<b>31</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC  5:30 Tops	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>  11 AM Hog Pen Osceola Sign Up!	<b>3</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC 10 AM Coffee Activity Meeting  10:30 AM Jonesboro Lunch & Movie pg 6	<b>4</b> Veterans Happy Hour 4 to 6 pm in the Ramey Center We will play Pictionary  6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC  5:30 Tops	<b>8</b>  1:30 PM Advisory Meeting RC	<b>9</b>  11 AM Benny Bobs Blytheville Sign Up!  2 PM Book Club - Doris Marks Village Library pg 6	<b>10</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC 10 AM Coffee Bingo  2 PM Crafty Ones CH	<b>11</b>  6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC  5:30 Tops	<b>15</b>  3:00 Birthday / Move In BINGO Party - RC pg 7	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC 10 AM Coffee Bean Bag Baseball  2 PM Board Meeting RC	<b>18</b>  6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC  5:30 Tops	<b>22</b>   4 PM Carney Funeral Home Ice Cream Social RC pg 2	<b>23</b>  10:00 Dyersburg Grecian & Shopping Marshall's and other Pg 2 Sign Up!	<b>24</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC 10 AM Coffee Relay For Life  2 PM Crafty Ones CH	<b>25</b>  6 PM Mexican Train Dominoes RC	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC  5:30 Tops	<b>29</b>   5:30 PM with Cindy RC <i>Let your creative juices flow!!!</i>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 9 AM Exercise Class RC 10 AM Coffee	<b>1</b>  September	<b>2</b>



**Remember:**

- **Pets must be on a leash any time they are outside of your home, and we respectfully ask that you honor your neighbors and always pick up after your pet.**
- **Pets may not be staked out and left unattended.**
- **Please do not feed stray cats and dogs.**



*Tuesday, August 29*

*5:30 p.m.*

*Ramey Center*

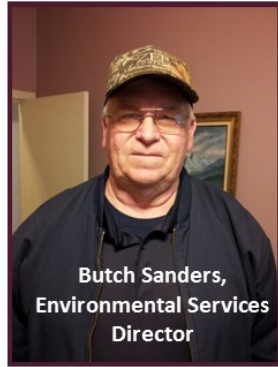
*BYOD*

*"Bring Your Own Drink"*

*For the beginner or the seasoned painter.*

*Sign up at the front desk so that we know how many supplies to purchase.*

# Maintenance Department



Butch Sanders,  
Environmental Services  
Director



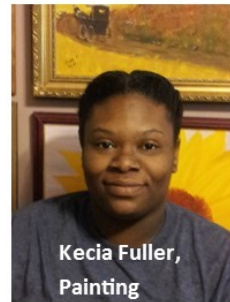
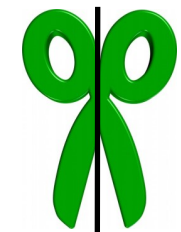
Bobby Stigall  
Maintenance



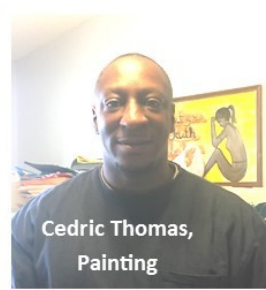
Tommie Wilborn  
Maintenance



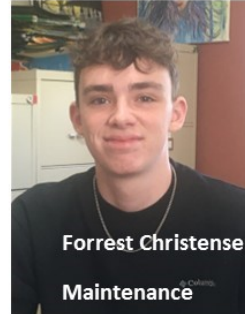
Tony Lambert  
Maintenance



Kecia Fuller,  
Painting



Cedric Thomas,  
Painting



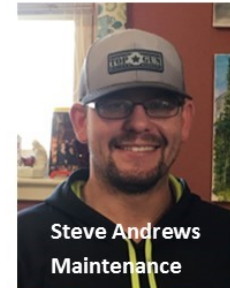
Forrest Christensen  
Maintenance



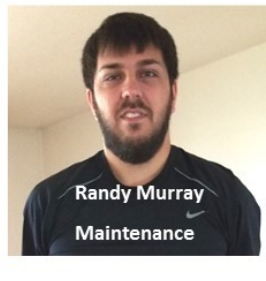
Larry Green,  
Maintenance



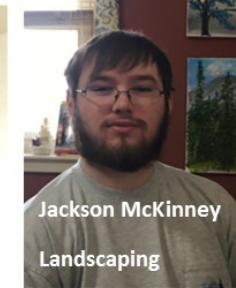
Frank Gonzalez  
Project Manager



Steve Andrews  
Maintenance



Randy Murray  
Maintenance



Jackson McKinney  
Landscaping



Brandon Ward  
Maintenance



Carrie Payne  
Housekeeping



Julia Dominguez  
Housekeeping



Florence Bennett  
Housekeeping



Margie DeFries  
Housekeeping

# Security



Julius Snead,  
Security Director



Elvis Williams  
Security Guard



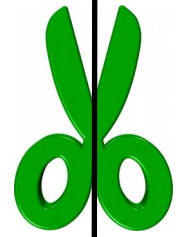
Maya Davis  
Security



Rickey Green  
Security



Patrion Williams  
Security



# RELAY FOR LIFE LUMINARY CEREMONY

Relay for Life of Mississippi County  
September 8, 2023 - Blytheville, AR

Bring your Luminary Dedication Form to the Westminster Village Office with your check for payment By August 23rd. You can get more donation forms at the Office. Thank you!



Yard Signs Tributes are \$10 & Luminaria Dedication Bags are \$5  
Purchase online at [www.RelayForLife.org/MississippiAR](http://www.RelayForLife.org/MississippiAR) or send your tax-deductible donation, payable to the American Cancer Society to:

Nucor Steel Arkansas  
Attn: Jessie Phillips, Luminaria Chair  
PO Box 30  
Armored, AR 72310

To ensure delivery of your luminaria prior to Relay, be sure to mail your donation along with the form by September 1. Then, join us for our Luminaria Ceremony, which will be held during Relay For Life in Blytheville, AR on September 8th. Teams: You can fax your forms to (870) 762-2844 or email to [jessie.phillips@nucor.com](mailto:jessie.phillips@nucor.com).

Relay at The Blytheville Park.

\$5.00 or \$10 per Name - Please print clearly

Sign \$10  Bag \$5

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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Team Name receiving credit (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

## Westminster Village

For more information, please contact Anastasia Sweeney, Senior Development Manager, 870.759.0807 or [anastasia.sweeney@cancer.org](mailto:anastasia.sweeney@cancer.org).

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