

~Remembering our Friend~

**Leona Gorshe Neenah -**  
 Leona Anna Gorshe, 94, peacefully went to her heavenly home on Friday September 6, 2019. She was born April 7, 1925 in Neenah, WI, the daughter of Frank and Catherine (Colling) Lamb. She was preceded in death by her spouse Ernest Gorshe, to whom she was married for 54 years, her daughter-in-law Bonnie Gorshe, and nine siblings.



Leona was known for her strong faith, quick wit and infectious smile.

Leona is survived by her four children, Donald (Tina) Gorshe, Larsen, Nancy (Carl) Sherman, Marietta, GA, David (Lillian) Gorshe, Brownsville, TX, and Tammy (Michael) Flanagan, Neenah, 10 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and many other relatives, friends, and her granddog Bella.

Leona loved to sing and dance but most of all she loved to dress up. She was known for her stylish taste in clothing, her glitzy scarves and beautiful hats. She loved flowers and had a gift for making the most beautiful arrangements. She was always ready for a day out, to eat at a favorite restaurant, shop, or to go for a ride in the country. Most importantly,

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. followed by mass at 11:30 a.m. at St. Gabriel's Catholic Church located at 900 Geiger Street, Neenah, WI 54956. Fr. Robert Kollath will officiate. Burial will be at St. Edward Cemetery in Mackville.

Leona loved the staff and her friends at Emerald Ridge Assisted Living and was blessed to share many hugs, prayers and laughs for the last four years.

**FYI...**

We are currently having issues with last minute sign-ups for activity outings. It is very important to sign up in a timely manner, so the Activity Director can determine how many seats are available for transportation and how many caregivers are needed per outing. Starting in October, the sign-up sheets will be taken out of the activity book 24 hours before the outing. If you are not signed up for the activity before it is taken out of the book you may be asked to stay behind. Please keep this in mind when planning your week!

Can you guess what we are bringing back in October? Door prizes at happy hour! They will be randomly given away. To enter into drawings, you'll need to attend activities throughout the week. Alfie, our Activity Director, will be putting in a red ticket with your name on it for the activity you attended.

This month we are planning a Door Decorating contest. Each resident will pick a staff member to assist them in decorating their door. Donna and Nikita will be the judge on which door is the best decorated. We will have prizes for whoever comes in 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> place. If you are interested in participating, get ready by picking a staff member and brainstorming some decorative ideas!



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**From the Executive Director's Desk**

**What is Hospice?**

Hospice is medical care to help someone with a terminal illness live as well as possible for as long as possible, increasing quality of life. An interdisciplinary team of professionals who address physical, psychosocial, and spiritual distress focused on both the dying person and their entire family. Care that addresses symptom management, coordination of care, communication and decision making, clarification of goals of care, and quality of life.

**When is it time for hospice?**

Deciding when it's time for hospice is difficult and should be discussed with loved ones and a physician.

When:

The patient has 6 months or less to live, according to a physician.

The patient is rapidly declining despite medical treatment (weight loss, mental status decline, inability perform activities of daily living).

The patient is ready to live more comfortably and forego treatments aimed at prolonging life.

Not every person who is enrolled on Hospice has the same outcome. Sometimes with the additional TLC (Tender Loving Care) and medical supervision the patient may start to thrive and bounce back from decline! Some discharge from the program within 6 months and other renewing hospice services due to the care provided prolonging their life. Don't be scared when hearing the word hospice. Look at it as another group of people willing to care and provide during someone's time of need.—Nikita Flores



**DID YOU KNOW?**

The month of October comes from the Latin word "octō", meaning "eight", in the Roman calendar October was the eighth month of the year. With the adding of January and February at the beginning of the calendar after the Julian calendar reform, October became the tenth month of the year, as we know it today

**Testimonial**

"I think it's pretty nice and clean. The staff try pretty hard here. Residents are about normal, like to talk and get to know each other. I get my favorite breakfast every day. I am not having any trouble here and am very happy."

- Elaine A.



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# Halloween Sudoku

Fill in the grids so that each column, row, and box contains one and an only one of the letters from the given word.

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ORANGE





Welcome to our New Staff at Emerald Ridge!

Mary S., who had been working NOC shift will be transferring to a Full-Time PM Resident Assistant position.

Katye C. will also be transferring from Part-Time AM Resident Assistant to Full-Time PM Med Passing position.

We would also like to give a big WELCOME BACK to Aiesha, who has been out on maternity leave for the last 2 months with her new baby girl. Mom and baby are doing great and Aiesha is very excited to be coming back to her original position as Med Passer on AM shift.

Last, but never the least we are welcoming a brand-new face to the Emerald Ridge family. Laura, who has worked in many assisted living facilities, one of which is owned by BAKA. Laura will be working as a Full-Time PM Resident Assistant.

## Fun times in September!



## Meet Our New Resident!

### Joan B.

Joan moved into apartment 224 on August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019. She has two sons, Kurt and Robert. She is sometimes shy, but loves to talk to people once she gets to know you. Joan is sitting at table 7 for meals, so please stop by and give her a big Emerald Ridge welcome!

### Employee of the Month! - Alicia



Alicia is another local, growing up right here in the Fox Cities. She attended and graduated from Menasha High School. Alicia was a part of the varsity Cheer and Stunt Team, and she performed at all of the Menasha High School football games and other miscellaneous competitions. Alicia currently attends Fox Valley Technical College for her Nursing and Business Management Degree. She is very goal orientated! Alicia has 2 pets, Bella her 4-year-old Tortishell Cat and Keta her 3-month-old Fox Pomeranian. When Ali-

cia isn't working, she loves to color, draw and decorate. Alicia has an eye for fashion and a love for clothes in general. Alicia loves to spend time with her little brother, Michael, and her wonderful boyfriend, Daniel. Alicia is currently working NOC shift, so if you are up late enough and see her popping in your room make sure to say "Hello".

## RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT



### Pat P.

Pat was born and raised in New York. After high school she started night classes for Business School. To survive she got a job working in Manhattan during the day. Pat met her husband at 18, they were married by the age of 20, and have been happily married for 68 years now. Pat says "The secret to a long and happy marriage is a good sense of humor and talking to one another." Pat has four children, 3 girls; Pamala, Gwen, Tracey, and 1 son, Tim. Pat's family means everything to her! "I don't know where I would be without them" she said. Pat has 15 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Pat is currently living in apartment 203 and her husband is at Brewster Village Nursing Home - who she loves to go visit a few times a week. When Pat was younger, she liked to golf and bowl. She also enjoyed sewing and making clothing for her family. Pat would like everyone to know "I am a very friendly person but I am not sociable - meaning I won't be participating in group activities or coming to meals, but if you see me in the hall way I would love to say hello."

## October Birthdays at Emerald Ridge!

George S.— 10/11

Happy  
Birthday!

## Dates to Remember in October



October 1-16 Door Decorating Contest

October 1 Fleet Farm Shopping 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

October 8 Wal-Mart Trip 9:30 am - 11:30 am  
Thrift Store 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

October 11 Barlow Planetarium Trip to see "The Planets" (\$6 per person)  
3:00 pm

October 15 Dollar Tree 9:30 am - 11:30 am  
Fall Scenic Drive 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

October 16 Scheig Center All About Fall and Winter Birds (Free) 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

October 17 Judging of the Door Decorating Contest

October 18 Happy Hour with special guest - JT DOG 3:00 pm

October 21 Men's Lunch 12:00 pm

October 22 Lunch at Cranky Pat's 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

October 23 Resident Council 1:15 pm  
Activity Breakdown 2:15 pm

October 24 Bingo Store 2:15 pm

October 25 Happy Birthday Happy Hour 3:00 pm

October 29 Casino Trip 10:00 am - 3:30 pm

October 30 Church Service in Dining Room 2:00 pm

October 31 Halloween Party 1:15 pm