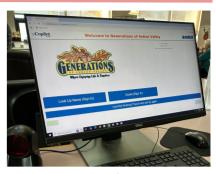


# Welcome to "H.O.M.E."

### **Helping Organize Meaningful Experiences**

We are thankful that you are here! Generations of Indian Valley is a place of welcome and friendship for active adults. We are a community of people committed to learning, growing and giving mutual support to one another.

Generations is a gathering place where the needs and joys of the community can be shared. The staff, volunteers and our participants embrace a spirit of partnership and caring which lasts... from generation to generation.



SIGN IN at one of our entrance kiosks every time you stop by!

# MAY/JUNE **HIGHLIGHTS:**

Look for more details in our full newsletter about these upcoming special events. (The number after the event is the newsletter page where you can find more information).

5/19: Prevent a Stroke (6)

5/20: Meet our Featured Portrait **Artist Robin Crawley (6)** 

Postponed to 5/21: Life's a Picnic Thanks to our Volunteers (1)

Postponed to 5/21: Carfit Event (6)

5/23: Name that Tune (6)

5/23: Digital Literacy: Online **Privacy Protection (6)** 

5/28: Book Club (6)

5/30: Fifth Friday in the Cafe (3)

6/2: Massage Mondays 1st & 3rd Mondays beginning in June (12)

6/3: Bon Appetit Lunch with Julia Child (1)

6/4: Richter Shred Service (4)

6/5: Heritage: The Jewish

Experience, Thursdays, 1pm (5)

6/6: The Road to Happiness: **Understanding Depression (5)** 

6/10: Scrapbook with Mary (5)

6/10: Charcoal Drawing Class (5)

6/13 & 6/24: Reclaiming Our Wild

Spirit Workshop & Day Trip (3)

7/31: Ice Breaker Social (6)

New Day/Overnight Trips (18)

# **NOTES:**

We have a **new payment policy** for on-site events. Effective May 21, 2025, payment for on-site events is now due at the time of registration. We will not add you to the list until payment is received. You can find more information on p. 1 of the June/July newsletter.

We have Generations H.O.M.E. Team volunteers should you need 1:1 assistance as you get acquainted with our community center. Team members can help you find your way around, grab a seat at our noon meal or find answers to questions you may have.

Please remember to sign in upon arrival, even if you're just stopping by for a visit.

Within your first month of joining, please stop by and see Donna, Amy, or Emily to get your photo taken and receive your name tag. (It's just for identification - we won't share or post it).

## **NEW PARTICIPANTS:**

Henry August John Bell Donna Brinkman Chris Coale Roseann Davis Ann Felix Kent Gerhart Maria Gerhart Andrea Goldstein Norman Goldstein Ruth Goldstein Patricia Green Rita Gunder Catherine Grygiel MaryAnn Harris Francis Hilt Linda Hollingsworth Marilyn Jamain Kathie Kardash Mary Ellen Knudson Jean Kramer-Koch Mary Ann Kurnik Gail Landes

Scott Landes Theresa Lex Durell & Rachele Leister Dawn Maher Luciano Marucci Thomas Mazzro Nancy Ness Joseph Pennypacker Sanjay Patel Iadonisi Renate Herold Rhonda Marilyn Rudolph Michelle Schwartz Donna Tignor Patti Wrigley MaryBeth McMunny Barbara Moore Pamela Quatraro Kathy Rubert Pearl Shelly Beth Watson Susan Weiland Linda Wismer

Participants on our H.O.M.E. Team are available to give tours, attend programs, answer questions, or just chat! If you would like to be contacted by someone on our H.O.M.E. Team, please let us know!



# Our H.O.M.E. Team is on Base!

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# **Meet Generations Participant Paula Penney**

Generations Participant Paula Penney has lived in this area for over 55 years,



but she didn't start coming to Generations until a life-long friend, Anne, invited her just 15 months ago. Now there is no turning back for Paula! A member of our H.O.M.E. Team and active volunteer, you will often find Paula giving tours or welcoming participants as a hostess for our noon meal. Paula says she loves coming to the noon meal and has yet to find a menu item she hasn't liked. She says coming here has introduced her to new meal ideas, textures and flavors. Other things Paula enjoys are the special events with entertainment (especially when the school kids come in) and the lifelong learning opportunities such as driving classes, education series, and cooking/craft demos. Be sure to look for Paula the next time you stop by!

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### Q: What is the fee for membership?

A: First, we call you "participants," not members. We ask for a voluntary contribution upon joining (suggested \$20). We then send out requests for additional voluntary contributions throughout the year. In accordance with our contract with Montgomery County Office of Aging Services, we don't tie your participation here to a membership fee.

#### Q: Where does your funding come from?

**A:** Part of our funding comes from the Montgomery County Office of Aging Services. Additional funding is provided by foundation grants, municipal support, fundraising projects/events, corporate contributions and YOUR individual contributions.

#### Q: What are the requirements for joining?

**A:** Participants must be 55 years of age or older, able to comport themselves in an appropriate and non-disruptive manner, and able to exit our building and handle all toileting and personal care needs independently.

#### Q: What other fees are involved?

**A:** Many of our programs are offered for free, at a low cost, or by voluntary donation. Fees for certain special events, fundraisers, trips, and programs may apply. If a fee applies, it will be noted in the event listing in our full newsletter.

# WHY DO WE DO THAT?

#### Why do we ask you to sign in?

- ~It helps us with our funding! When we apply for grants and various funding, we pull participation data - such as volunteer hours, number of people who visited the Cafe, and even how many people came for a card game - directly from the "Copilot" system where you sign in.
- ~When we send out an "auto call" for a reminder or cancellation, we often generate the call list from the "Copilot" system.
- ~When you sign in, it tells us exactly who is or was in our building on a given day. And if you normally sign in, but haven't for a while, we know that it might be time to reach out.

# **FUN FACT!**

We have 500+ active volunteers who have completed over 10,500 hours of service in the last year!