



Normandy Manor Times

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

February 3rd, this is the day of our monthly **Mystery Trip**, why not join us for a nice surprise.

February 4th, **David Bird** will entertain us with his singing and piano music at 10:30 am in the main dining room.

February 8th, **Access to the Arts** (classical music) will help us celebrate all residents' birthdays occurring during this month. This party will take place at 2:30 pm in the main dining room.

February 8th, **Absentee Voting** will take place at 10:00 am in the main dining room.

February 10th, we will lunch at the **Sugar Creek Restaurant** in Sheffield Village.

February 17th, **Hometown Buffet** in Parma in on the lunch/van trip agenda

February 18th, one of our favorite entertainers, **Pat Tamburro** will once again entertain in the main dining room at 2:30 pm.



February 21st, come join us celebrate **Mardi Gras**. Entertainment with Johnny Pastrik and we're serving delicious King Cake and Paczki. This event will take place in the main dining room at 2:30 pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS (continued)

February 22nd, Ash Wednesday Mass will be celebrated at 2:30 pm in the main dining room.

February 24th, Mulligan's Pub and Grille in Avon is our lunch destination.

February 25th, Jack Mizenko will sing for us at 10:30 am in the main dining room.

March 16th, lunch at **Der Braumeister** in Cleveland, Ohio's authentic German Restaurant and Ole Market.

March 23rd, van trip and lunch at **Babushka's Kitchen** in Independence, a Polish Heritage Restaurant

March 30th, van trip to **Alfonso's Restaurant and Market** on W. 130th Street in Cleveland

April 29th, the van will take us to **Westlake Baptist Church**.

PAST EVENTS:

On **January 6th** our residents enjoyed shopping and walking around **Great Northern Mall**. From Chinese cuisine to wraps everyone appreciated the many choices the food court had to offer.

On **January 7th** **Pat McGuire** and **Dave** played old time favorites along with the game 'name that tune.' They can certainly motivate group interaction.

First Watch Restaurant in Rocky River is a favorite, our residents like their omelets, pancakes, salads and Rubin sandwiches. Our lunch on **January 13th** at this restaurant was a hit.

January 14th **Ron Fierentino** was charming and fascinating as he sang favorite songs of the bygone era.

On **January 21st**, **Pat Tamburro** started off the New Year with Polkas that brought back many memories and offered cheerful music for the afternoon.

CONGRATULATIONS



Deanna Firth, STNA
Employee of the Month
February, 2012

Residents' February Birthdays

♪ ♪
*"Happy Birthday
to You"*
♪ ♪

Helen Dean	Feb. 1 st
Helen White	Feb. 5 th
Nancy McCall	Feb. 7 th
Rita Rechin	Feb. 10 th
George Koehler	Feb. 12 th
June Torno	Feb. 15 th
Zouri Stockdale	Feb. 17 th
Mabel Winch	Feb. 18 th
Mary Jones	Feb. 23 rd

Residents of the Month

Pat and LaVerne Roshetko

Pat and LaVerne have been at Normandy Manor since October 30, 2010. They have been married for over 62 years and are completely devoted to one another.

Pat was born on March 17, 1926 and is the second youngest of nine children. He graduated from Cathedral Latin High School where he was a cheerleader. He served for two years in the U.S. Navy during World War II on a Liberty ship in the Pacific. During that war, six of the Roshetko children were in the service at one time and one brother who had already been killed in the war. After the service, Pat worked at Standard Oil of Ohio (SOHIO) which was later acquired by British Petroleum (BP).

LaVerne was born on January 4, 1929 and is the second youngest of four children. She graduated from Andrews School for Girls. After graduating, LaVerne worked downtown at Travelers Insurance Company where she became close friends with three other women: Muriel, Ginny and Kitty (more to come about them). While on her way downtown LaVerne caught Pat's eye one day. It was during the days of streetcars and they tell the story about an incident where LaVerne tripped Pat (on purpose accidentally??) while he was getting to his seat. That certainly captured Pat's attention and he remembered overhearing LaVerne saying that she worked in the Hanna Building. Pat figured she got off around 5:00 pm, so he went and hung out by the elevator so he could "casually" bump into her. They started chitchatting and Pat asked LaVerne on a date and their love affair has continued on to this day. Muriel, Ginny and Kitty had also met and were dating Jim, Rick and Stan. The four couples would often go out together and they were all married the same summer in 1949. After marriage, they would take turns going to one another's house each month to play pinochle and, during the summer, their families would get together for picnics. Their friendship continued throughout the years. Muriel, Pat and LaVerne are the last living members of their "pinochle club" left today and Muriel pops in for a visit from time to time (no card playing though!).

Pat & LaVerne married on August 20, 1949 and had nine children (five girls and four boys): Chris (who sadly passed away this past March), Judy (who lived only a short time after birth), Larry, Patty, Anne, Jeanette, Bob, John and Mike. Chris was married to Dick (also deceased) and they had three children: Ritchie, Brenda and Diana. Chris and Dick traveled the world with Chris's job and even spent ten years in Singapore. Larry of Phoenix is married to Stracy and they have four children: Pat, Adam, Jake and Samina. Patty of Strongsville is married to Joe and they have three children: Bob, Melissa and Matthew. Anne of Newburgh Heights has two children: Dawn and Joe. Jeanette of Cleveland is married to Tony and they have one son, Dennis. Bob of Phoenix is engaged to Lynn. John of Cleveland is married to Jan and they have two children: Jackie and Greg. And baby Mike of Northfield Village is married to Suzy and they have two children: Lauren and Dylan. Now many of these grandchildren are married and have had a total of nineteen children which now makes a total of nineteen great grandchildren, as well as, three great-great grandchildren for Pat and LaVerne. Whew!—what a great big family tree!!

Pat worked in the office at Standard Oil (and then BP) for forty years until he retired in 1986. LaVerne worked the 3:30 pm to 11:30 pm shift at Associated Truck Lines when the kids were younger so Pat and she could “tag-team” taking care of the kids. When Associated Truck Lines closed, LaVerne got a job closer to home at Palmer Supplies where she worked until she retired in January 1991.

Pat and LaVerne were Scout Leader and Pack Mother when Chris and Larry were in Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts and LaVerne served as the cookie chairman for all the girls. They were also very active at St. Thomas More Parish in Brooklyn where they have been parishioners for over fifty-three years. Pat headed up the Holy Name Society for many years and LaVerne was a member of the Women’s Guild. Pat also served as an usher for over thirty years and both Pat and LaVerne were Eucharistic Ministers. Pat also organized the Sohio Quarter Century Club annual dinners for many years.

Chris, Larry and Bob all moved to Phoenix in the 1970’s and 80’s and Pat and LaVerne loved to travel to visit them. On one of their Phoenix trips, they visited Las Vegas with Chris and Dick and Larry and Stacy. They also took a couple trips to San Francisco to visit Pat’s brother and family.

LaVerne enjoys the activities at Normandy Manor and takes advantage of as many as she can despite her being legally blind and even goes on the field trips that interest her. Her favorite activity by far is Bingo. If someone happens to be visiting her during Bingo, they are told to come on along.

The quiet one now is Pat. He prefers to stay in his room in his recliner and watch TV. However, he was not always so quiet—he was quite the social butterfly and full of life. Neighbors always knew where they could go for a chat or to borrow a tool. If they couldn’t get their baby to settle down, they knew they could call on Pat too. He always had a magic touch with babies. He would hold them just so and they would quiet down and snuggle against him.

When they lived on West 60th, they loved their garden and had roses in a variety of colors. It was quite beautiful and drew many admirers. Pat would snip the best roses of the bunch each week and take them into LaVerne. They both also loved the themed collector plates and they had more than a hundred which lined the ceilings all around the living room and the dining room. Pat also loved eagles and collected many regal eagle statues. LaVerne collected cups and if you had coffee or tea during a party, you could pick which exquisite, dainty cup you wanted to drink from. LaVerne has always been the organizer and date keeper and ALWAYS remembers your birthday. To this day, all family members and friends get a “Happy Birthday” phone call from LaVerne. One niece recently said that, although it is hard for her daughters to know all of the extended family, they both know Great Aunt LaVerne because of her phone calls.

Besides their children and grandchildren visiting, Pat and LaVerne are lucky to still have their younger brothers and their wives around and you will often see Don and Dolores and Ed and Rose Marie visiting and bringing much cheer and laughter to their room. They also have many nieces and nephews who stop by from time to time.

Their children and grandchildren say they could tell you many more stories, but because space is limited, we have to stop here. They hope you enjoy this mini bio of their loving parents’ lives.



The Normandy Manor Staff

Administrator	Matt Shula
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Maintenance Director	John Rhoades
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Social Work	Megan Bean Ginny Moes



National Activity Professionals Week January 23 -27th

We are proud and thankful for our Activity Professionals. Thank you for what you do for our residents: creating and developing meaningful activities, reminding, encouraging and engaging them to participate while there, and taking them back to their rooms. In the dining rooms providing music, feeding, and passing trays. As well as providing the artwork displayed on the walls in the main hall, regency dining room and family lounge.

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