

EMBERS WELCOME

Verla MacCanon Apt.338

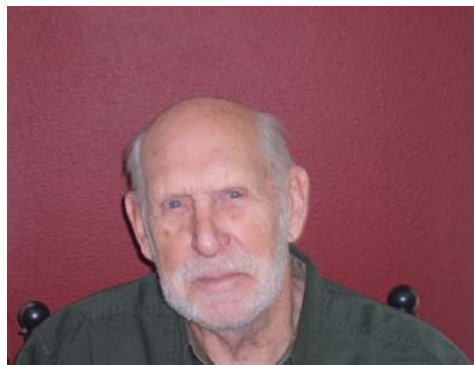
Verla MacCanon was born on Dec. 23,1920 in Webster City to George and Grace Shafer. She attended Country school for 8 years and graduated from Webster City High School in 1938. After graduation, she worked as a cashier for Montgomery Ward for 2 yrs. She met her husband, Robert, when his father was her Pastor. They hadn't seen each other for 2 years and surprisingly in 1939 she received a Christmas card from York, Neb. where he was attending college. They corresponded long distance, became engaged in May of 1940 and were married Aug. 31, 1941.

They moved to Dayton, Ohio where Robert was a Seminary Student. Robert graduated and they moved to Garwin, Iowa in 1943. They served 7 United Methodist Churches around Iowa where Robert was a Pastor and Verla was involved with each Church family. Robert retired due to ill health in 1981 and they moved to Washington, Ia. for 6 yrs. and lived in Toledo for 9 years. They moved to Marshalltown in 1996. Robert passed away in 1998.

They have 3 daughters – Jan, who lives here in town with her husband Don Mitchell. Marilyn Brown, who lives in Milwaukee and Rebecca lives in California with her husband, Darell. She has 6 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Verla is now a member of Hope United Methodist Church. She is a volunteer visitor at 3 care centers, enjoys Bible Study, Scrabble and learned how to drive at age 65!

Welcome, Verla we're glad you're here!



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Mac Thornes Apt. 244

Mac Thornes was born in Iowa City to Belva and Tom Thornes. He attended school thru 10th grade and then on to Gilman for ½ year, spent 11th grade in Dunbar, back to Marshalltown for ½ year of 12th grade and graduated from Dunbar High School in 1944. Mac enlisted in the Army/Air Corp. at 17. He took a test to be a pilot. When the war ended, Mac was a Radio Operator Mechanic where he fixed and operated on them. Mac was in the service for 3 yrs. He spent 1 year in Japan. He was discharged from the Army in December of 1946. Home was at his folks' farm in Toledo. Mac got "on the job training" and worked at Ford garage for a couple of years and went to Mechanical School in 1949 and 1950. He married Marion Bryngelson in 1950. They were married 20yrs., divorced and had 3 children. Denise Thornes lives near Iowa City, Mike lives with his wife, Maritza in Florida and daughter Carrie lives with her husband Shawn in St. Center. He has 10 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

In 1952, Mac worked for the Railroad here for 38 years. He started as a Brakeman, then a Conductor. He retired in 1989. Mac married again at age 55 and was divorced in 1988. He then bought an acreage between Gilman and Laurel. He bought old tractors and fixed them up. He enjoyed old time machinery. He planted 2 acres of corn on the acreage he lived on for 12 years. He sold the acreage in 2002, moved to State Center to be near his daughter. Mac has a special friend in his life now, Elaine Wilkerson, who he enjoys dancing and traveling with. Mac himself has been to at least 15 different countries!

Welcome Mac, we're glad you're here!

Vicki's Vibes

Here comes March, I think it is safe to say that it's coming in like a lamb. In fact this weekend should melt some of the white stuff covering the ground. It is time we got rid of some ice and snow. The roads have been awful and I'm glad to have so many of you taking advantage of our transportation for the grocery stores, shopping and medical needs. I'd rather you go with Jo and Janet than take a chance of falling or being in an accident. One thing for sure the wash board streets will jar your body in whatever vehicle you are riding in.

A bit of Spring – Candlelight 08 was a success and I'm so glad most everyone was able to attend. It was quite an evening. The meal was truly a gourmet treat. We tried some new recipes and heard wonderful comments by all. The girls did a great job serving and didn't they look nice? Jo and I are already planning for next year!!!

Food and Council Meeting; next Monday the 3rd, we'll have a demonstration of the Wii. The big screen TV should be here some time in the next week; as soon as it gets here we'll get it hooked up, and you'll really enjoy playing with the games. You can sit in a chair and bowl, play golf and tennis, and box if you'd like to. Be sure you attend!!!!

See you there.....

Love you all,

Vicki

Deb's Ditty

Hello again. I know it has been a long, cold, snowy winter; but remember it is almost over!! Soon we will be enjoying the deck and putting greens again.

We were talking last month about how the cell phone generation is here and a lot of our information in our Emergency book is out of date. It would be a great thing for you to come to the office and help me update yours. This is an important item that should be addressed soon. I would hate for something to happen and not be able to reach your family as soon as possible.

I also want to mention that 411 and 1411 are the same number anymore and will be billed \$1.50 per call. There is also an extra charge if you have them connect the number for you. This charge is not reflected on your printed phone bill, but it is reflected on the Embers bill and will be passed on to you.

Think flowers and not snow!!! The first day of spring is March 20th. Plus Daylight Savings is the 9th so remember to spring forward.

Have a great springy month.
Warm Wishes,

Deb

JO'S JENDA

Welcome March!! ☺ ☺

We have a Food and Council Meeting this month, on Monday the 5th at 10:00a.m.

Our Resident Birthday Party is Friday the 7th in the Community Room. We have 12 celebrating this month.

There is a **Cribbage Tournament** on Tuesday the 4th and on Wed. the 5th in the Community Room, starting at 9:00 a.m.

We have a Happy Hour scheduled for Thursday the 6th from 3-4 p.m. Don't forget your quarter!!

How about a trip to Dollar General and Dollar Tree this month. We always get a van full for that trip!! Sign up!!

And of course we all know **St. Particks Day** is this month!! Dust off those Irish clothes now!! We will of certainly celebrate with style in the Coffee Shop/ Lobby that afternoon!

The kitchen band has a "gig" this month. We will be going to Glenwood Place on Thurs. the 20th at 2:00 p.m. to entertain them.

Our **Easter Egg Hunt** is this month!! I actually can't believe it's just 1 week after St. Patty's Day!! This is quite an event! We hide around 500 eggs in the building on all 4 floors. We have great Easter bunnies to help hide eggs. Thank you in advance to Kathy, Tessa and Megan for all your help!! We do not hide eggs on your ledges, dining room, Comm.Room, workshop or pool. Mostly they are hidden in hallways and solariums. Bring a sack with you too! We will have a jelly bean contest too!

Till next month, JO

MAINTENANCE LEAK

Hi folks!

Well, hopefully this month will depart us from the Icy Grip of winter! I heard that to date

we have gotten 52" of snow this winter.

Daylight Savings Time and the first day of Spring is this month – that at least sounds better! I hope it will feel better outside too.

Chad and I are still pulling a lot of garbage out of thr recycling bins. Some of you are going to a lot of work to recycle what is garbage and should be thrown away. If you have any questions about recycling don't hesitate to ask.

The recycling areas on the 2nd floor **put your garbage out on Sunday and Thursday evenings!** It will be picked up the next morning. When taking newspapers down to recycling – please bag or bundle them. Thanks!

Happy St. Pats Day and Happy Easter!!

Mike & Chad



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Ginny Underkofler	March 11
Garnet Rogers	March 11
Ardie Zimbeck	March 11
Dolores Buschbom	March 15
Perry Moore	March 16
Dolores Swanson	March 16
Jan Hinson	March 17
Gene Baker	March 25
Jo Gooding	March 27
Addison Snyder	March 27
Woody Shives	March 28
Harold Tomhave	March 31

Kitchen Klatter

Happy March, but did it come in like a lion? I hope it starts getting a little warm – like a temp higher than –2 below!!

Our Candlelight Dinner was wonderful !! This year more of you could enjoy it because of the candleless candles! Thank you so much to my staff for working so hard before and after the party!!

Mabel Graeff is our *Resident of the Month*! She has chosen Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Corn and Apple Crisp for dessert! Nice choice, Mabel!

We will be having fish on Fridays for the residents that observe lent until Easter Sunday, March 23 rd.

St. Patrick's Day is Monday the 17 th, so be "wearin of the green" or you will get pinched - around here we will do that!! Our menu will be some good ol' Irish food for you to enjoy!!

Have a great month!!
Sally and the Kitchen Staff

KATHY'S COMMENTS

March looks like a busy month, with Daylight Savings Time, St. Patrick's Day, Easter and let's not forget about the first day of spring. I'm so ready for spring to come. This has been a long winter.

I'm sure Jo will have us girls out hiding Easter eggs again this year! So have a great Easter!

Starting March 3rd, we will be pulling out your refrigerators and cleaning behind them. *Please* have the top cleared off so nothing gets broken when we pull them out.

Have a great month!!!
Housekeeping,
Kathy, Tessa and Megan



Addison & Jean Snyder March 23

STAFF BIRTHDAY!!!

Betty Priske March 8
Diane Garrett March 21
Joan Williams March 29

