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# In the Company of Friends

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## Executive Director's Note . . .

Spring gardens are planted with anticipation of warmer days, plenty of sunshine and delicious things to eat. The fruit and nut trees are showing off their bright colors giving the promise of good things to come.

We have had some recent storms that have put snow in the mountains and cleared the air allowing us to witness a beautiful panorama. The snow in the mountains gives us hope for full lakes, rivers and streams as the warm months of summer arrive.

Spring is showing up on the Sierra View Campus. The warmer air allows windows to be open, visiting done outside in the fresh air, and various plants and flowers showing off their spring colors. Soon, this place will be alive with color. We will see more people out strolling and the gazebos will welcome visitors who are enjoying the outdoors.

We are in a time of adjustment as the Sierra View Board of Directors say goodbye to those who have served out their terms and say hello to the new members. This year we want to thank Bill Braun and Joann Kalafut for their years of dedicated service to Sierra View Homes. Then we want to welcome Will Derksen and Don Linscheid as they take their seats at the table. Sierra View Homes has been through much in the past three years. I am very grateful to the Board of Directors as they help our administration work through the challenges.

Sierra View Homes is also awakening from the confines of the past three years. We are having more celebration meals open to everyone on campus; taking residents from all levels of care on outings as we utilize the bus; groups of friends are gathering again; and we even have a lively group of Canasta players meet weekly to play the game. Our Bistro time is available to people to gather and catch up. We have different musical guests coming in to serenade us at different meal times.

March shows up with warmer weather, many colors, and a promise of good things to come. I believe Sierra View also perks up and we start to see the promise of good conversations, good friends and good ways to be involved with activity offerings and volunteering.

I pray your month of March will be filled with new beginnings, as well as hope for good things to come.

*Ro Linscheid*

## Joseph of Nazareth . . .

The tradition lives on. Once again, there will be a St. Joseph's table set on Thursday March 23, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the King's Canyon Dining Room. For the last several years, Sierra View Homes has hosted a St. Joseph's event to bring attention to the life of St. Joseph. Joseph, "a just man" as described by scriptures, accepted God's plan as the foster father of Jesus Christ.

The luncheon will feature an Italian meal, and all the monies that are collected will be given to the Mennonite Central Committee to feed the poor. This even follows a centuries old tradition in many European villages. Please note, St Joseph is normally celebrated on March 19, so this later date allows us to facilitate this "feed the poor" fundraiser.

## Fundraiser

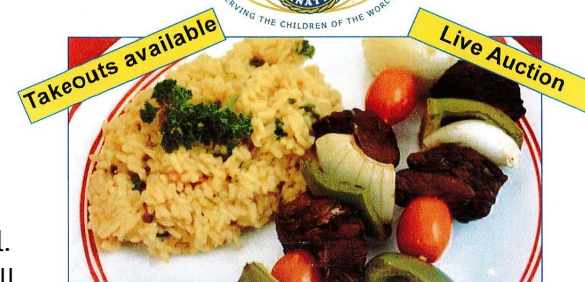
Come out and Support the Reedley Kiwanis, Local School Projects and Community Activities.

Kiwanis is having a Beef Kabob Diner in the Main Dining Room Saturday, March 25, 2023, between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Take-Out is available as well. Back by popular demand will be our Live Auction of donated items from the local businesses as well as gracious members of our community.

Tickets are being sold in the front office of Sierra View Homes.

Tickets are \$30 and Residents living on campus pay \$25.

### Kiwanis Club Of Reedley Sunrise



### BEEF KABOB DINNER

March 25, 2023

Sierra View Homes Retirement Community

(Main Dining Room)

1155 Springfield Avenue, Reedley CA

Dinner 5:00 TO 7:00 P.M.

Takeouts Available

Tickets \$30.00

Proceeds to Benefit

*Our Local School Projects and Community Activities*

Tickets: Roger Rodriguez 743-5669 \* Ro Linscheid 638-9226

David Pinuelas 696-5676 \* or any Reedley Sunrise Kiwanian

## **The Changing of the Guard . . .**

Recently, the Annual Sierra View Homes Corporation Meeting was held and three new Board of Directors were voted in. Don Linscheid and Will Derksen were elected to begin their first three-year term and Josh Milton was elected to his second three-year term. All residents will receive the 2022 Annual Report that was referred to by the Board Chair, Lance Zimmerman, and the Executive Director, Ro Linscheid. The audited financials will not be available until a later date.

The Sierra View Homes Auxiliary also had its annual meeting and discussed its year-end achievements for the support of our residents. Irvin Isaak announced his retirement as the Auxiliary President. He has led the auxiliary for many years. Ro Linscheid, Executive Director presented Irvin with a plaque in appreciation for his leadership and dedication to Sierra View Homes and the Auxiliary.

## **Welcome Gary Gipson....**

Gary has joined our team as a volunteer. He has been living in Reedley for 69 years and married for 50 of them, and as he stated “it’s quite an accomplishment for his wife.” He has been a farmer for over 50 years, he grows table grapes, and is semi-retired. He has decided to spend some of his newfound “free time” helping us here at Sierra View Homes. So if you see him around please say hello.



## **Yet Even Now...**

I imagine that most of us do not have much familiarity with the book of Joel. An obscure Old Testament prophetic book just three chapters long, it is quite easy to overlook. Another reason we do not read from it much is that it is quite depressing. Judgment, doom and destruction are its primary themes.

But on Ash Wednesday, as we prepare our hearts for Lent, the season of accompanying Jesus to Jerusalem and eventually to the cross, we take time to sit with that darkness. To remember that we are from dust and to dust we shall return. And to remember that in our need and vulnerability there is a quiet strength that is hard to explain or describe. It is not a strength that comes from holding tighter, but one that comes from letting go.

Joel’s word to the Israelites is that they have held on too tight to their own ways. They have strayed from the path, disaster is coming, and it is all of their own making. Three chapters of dark foreboding prophecy, softened by two phrases:

*Yet even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart. (Joel 2:12)*

and

*Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him. (Joel 2:14)*

These phrases: “Yet even now” and “who knows,” propel us into the Lent season, reminding us that even in our darkness, when we are sure there is no hope, no forgiveness, and no way out, God is always present. Blessings to you this Lent season. Do not be afraid to let go and sit in the darkness, for this present darkness will end in resurrection.

*Caley Ortman*

# SIERRA VIEW HOMES

# ACTIVITY CALENDAR

# MARCH 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
(MK)=Mineral King Room (KC/FR)=Kings Canyon Room or Founder's Room	Daily activities are posted on the white boards in the Residential Care Facility	TURN YOUR TELEVISION TO CHANNEL 2 FOR A LIST OF DAILY ACTIVITIES.				
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
			10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 10:30am- Resident Council (MK) 2:00pm- Bible Study(KC)	10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Bingo	9:00am- Chats with The Chaplain 10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm- Nails	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 1:30pm-Movie & Popcorn (MK)
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>9:00am-Church Service</b> 10:15am-Sunday Surprise (MK) 2:00pm-Nails	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 10:30am-Memory Jogger 2:00pm-Arm Chair Travel (MK)	9:30am-Men's Coffee 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 10:30am-Current Events Coffee Social (MK) 2:00pm-Bingo	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 10:30am- Current Events Coffee Social (MK) <b>2:00pm- Bible Study(KC)</b>	<b>10:00am-Food Committee Meeting (KC)</b> 10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Bingo	9:00am- Chats with Chaplain 10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 1:30pm-Movie & Popcorn (MK)	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Nails
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
9:00am-Church Service 10:15am-Sunday Surprise (MK) 2:00pm-Nails <b>Daylight Savings Time Begins</b>	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 10:30am-Trivia 2:00pm- Residential Care Birthday Celebration (MK)	9:30am-Men's Coffee 10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 10:30am-Men's Nails 2:00pm-Bingo	10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 10:30am- Current Events Coffee Social (MK) <b>11:45am-Ron Surabian (KC)</b> <b>2:00pm- Bible Study(KC)</b>	10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Bingo	9:00am- Chats with Chaplain 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 2:00pm- Nails <b>6:15pm- Night at the Movies</b> <b>Featuring: August Rush</b> <b>ST. PATRICK'S DAY</b>	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 1:30pm-Movie & Popcorn (MK)
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>9:00am-Church Service</b> 10:00am-Sunday Surprise (MK) 2:00pm-Nails	10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Arm Chair Travel (MK)  <b>First Day of Spring</b>	9:30am-Men's Coffee 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Bingo	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 10:30am- Current Events Coffee Social (MK) <b>2:00pm- Bible Study(KC)</b>	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) <b>12:00pm-St. Joseph's Day Lunch (KC)</b> 2:00pm-Bingo	10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 1:30pm- Movie & Popcorn (MK)	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm- Nails <b>5:00pm-Kiwanis Kabob Dinner (KC)</b> <b>(Tickets Required)</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	
<b>9:00am-Church Service</b> 10:00am-Sunday Surprise (MK) 2:00pm-Nails	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 10:30am-Trivia 2:00pm-Spring Refreshments (MK)	9:30am-Men's Coffee 10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 10:30am-Name That Tune(MK) 2:00pm-Bingo	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 10:30am- Current Events Coffee Social (MK) <b>2:00pm- Bible Study(KC)</b>	10:15am- Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Bingo	9:00am- Chats with Chaplain 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 2:00pm- Nails	