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## Autumn

Autumn is  
An artist who uses  
An oak leaf on which  
To paint a masterpiece



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# Sierra View Homes Retirement Community

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**IN THE COMPANY OF FRIENDS**



September  
2024  
Newsletter

## Executive Director's Note . . .

I am writing this note at an altitude of 37, 000 feet. I am in an airplane on my way home from a work conference in Denver, Colorado. There are many things to think about with a community such as ours. This time the conference topic was on safety culture. It is important to make sure each employee is feeling safe and comfortable as they provide the care and concern for each resident. We encourage each worker here at Sierra View Homes Retirement Community to enhance the lives of the people who live here.

We also have to look at time off so the staff can regenerate and have some quality personal time. Work life balance is an important factor in having meaning and dedication as we discern what is important in our lives.

My husband and I recently took a trip to Kansas to meet our brand new grandson and to play with our other grandchildren. Our son and daughter in law have their hands full with three children ages 4-6 and then a new baby. Things are lively at their house. It was great to reconnect with them, we did projects together, and had adventures at the park; Kansas still has tall slides, merry go rounds and teeter totters. The week went by quickly and soon it was time to board the airplane and fly home.

Both my husband and I are working at jobs that require a lot of attention. We both enjoyed the time of thinking and doing other things.

I love the fall with the colors and the cooler temps, especially at night. We can enjoy more outdoor time and maybe even plant a fall garden. It marks the end of the hot days of summer and the end of the fruit harvest. Now we wait for the raisins

We are having some exciting activities on our campus this September. The Senior Center Senior Prom will take place in our Kings Canyon Dining Room. Then we have the Auxiliary Fundraiser Dinner. This dinner is finally back after COVID derailed the activity back in 2020. Both events promise an evening full of good food, wonderful entertainment and entertaining conversation. September is a wonderful time of year. Please check out the events and join as you can. Happy September!

*Ra Linscheid*

## BUDGETING FOR 2025

We have been busy gathering information needed for the budgeting process. It is difficult to make predictions when you don't know what inflation will do or what changes may happen with the presidential election this fall. We do our best to try to predict, we try to keep our rates reasonable and still be able to pay all the bills.



### Honoring the Spirit of Resilience: Reflecting on September 11

With September 11 approaching, we take a moment to reflect on the courage, resilience, and unity that emerged in the face of tragedy. At Sierra View Homes, we honor the memories of those lost and celebrate the strength of our nation. As we look ahead, let's continue to uplift and support one another, keeping the spirit of community alive.



**SENIOR PROM & DINNER**

Friday, September 13, 2024

Sierra View Homes  
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\$30 per person  
(Door opens at 4:30pm)

ENTERTAINMENT BY  
**JOHN PEMBERTON**

Complimentary photos by Denny Mason  
(Blossom Trail Photography)

This event is for senior citizens 55+  
Tickets available for purchase at  
Reedley Community Center, August 2-September 5  
Call Jodi at (559) 637-4207 if you have questions.  
LIMITED SEATING

Sponsored by:  
Reedley Senior Commission, Inc  
Sierra View Homes  
Blossom Trail Photography  
City of Reedley Community Services

RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE  
FOR PURCHASE  
\$1 a ticket or \$5 for 6 tickets

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★ **LABOR** ★

★★★★ **DAY** ★★★★★

**BBQ**

Join us on Monday, September 2, in the Kings Canyon Dining Room for a free Labor Day BBQ Lunch for residents only. Enjoy delicious grilled hamburger, refreshing drinks, and a slice of classic apple pie as we celebrate the spirit of hard work and community. Please sign up by September 2, the Administration Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday August 31, and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday, September 1. We look forward to seeing you there!

# Wisdom from above

This month our Sierra View Bible Study group has been working our way through the book of James. There is a lot of conventional wisdom in James: Hardship produces character. Watch what you say. What you say has to be backed up by what you do.

In many ways, this is common sense advice. The Greek philosophers and ethicists were saying the same things. But for James, the measure we use is crucial. Are you seeking wisdom in order to self promote? To climb the social ladder? To become more self-dependent? This is a wisdom of sorts, but according to James it is the wisdom of the world.

The wisdom from above is the wisdom we seek. It understands God as the measure of all things. It understands that the world and its material resources are not all that is. It understands that beyond us, beyond our human understanding is a God of infinite grace and mercy that gives good things to those who seek God first. This perspective transforms the believer, not for our sake, but for the sake of the Kingdom of God and so that we may be in better communion with our Creator.

“Consider it pure joy” therefore, “when you face trials of many kinds,” James says in his opening chapter. The joy comes not in the hardship itself (after all, who likes hardship?), but in the realization that every time we resist the temptation to live for ourselves and instead choose the harder path to live for God and for others, we are blessed in ways this world cannot offer us.

*Caley Ortman*



# ACTIVITY CALENDAR

## September 2024

(MK)=Mineral King Room (KC/FR)=Kings Canyon Room or Founder's Room (SW)= Sequoia Welcoming 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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 <b>9:00am- Church Service (KC)</b> 2:00pm-Nails (MK)	2 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 12:00pm-Labor Day BBQ Lunch (KC) 2:00pm-Armchair Travel (MK) <i>LABOR DAY</i>	3 <b>9:30am- Men's Coffee</b> 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 2:00pm-Bingo (MK) <i>BINGO!</i>	4 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 10:30am-Resident Council (MK) <b>2:00pm-Bible Study (KC)</b>	5 <b>Dr Mc Lean Podiatrist (MK)</b>	6 <b>9:00am- Chats with Chaplain</b> 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Bingo(MK) <i>BINGO!</i>	7 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 1:30pm-Movie & Popcorn (MK)	
8 <b>9:00am-Church Service (KC)</b> 2:00pm-Nails (MK)	9 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) <b>2:00pm-"Under the Sea" Trivia (SW)</b>	10 <b>9:30am- Men's Coffee</b> 10:15am-Sittercise <b>2:00pm-Bingo</b> <i>BINGO!</i>	11 10:15am-Sittercise 10:30am-Current Events Coffee Social <b>2:00pm-Bible Study (KC)</b>	12 <b>10:00am- Food Committee Meeting (KC)</b> 10:15am-Sittercise 2:00pm-Bistro & Board Games (SW)	13 9:00am-Chats with Chaplain 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 2:00pm- Bingo (MK) 4:30pm-Reedley Commission on Aging Senior Prom (KC) (Tickets pre-sold for this event) <i>Promo night</i>	14 10:15am-Sittercise 2:00pm- Nails	
15 <b>9:00am-Church Service (KC)</b> 2:00pm-Nails (MK)	16 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 10:30am-Memory Jogger 2:00pm-Residential Care Birthday Celebration (MK)	17 <b>9:30am- Men's Coffee</b> 10:15am-Sittercise 10:30am-Men's Nails <b>2:00pm-Bingo (MK)</b> <i>BINGO!</i>	18 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 10:30am-Arts & Crafts <b>11:45am-Ron Surabian (KC)</b> 2:00pm-Bible Study (KC)	19 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 2:00pm-Bistro & Board Games (SW)	20 <b>9:00am- Chats with Chaplain</b> 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) <b>2:00pm-Bingo (MK)</b> <i>BINGO!</i>	21 10:15am-Saturday Surprise 1:30pm-Movie & Popcorn (MK)	
22 <b>9:00am-Church Service (KC)</b> 2:00pm-Nails (MK)	23 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Arm Chair Travel (MK)	24 <b>9:30am- Men's Coffee</b> 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 10:30am-Name That Tune 2:00pm-Bingo (MK) <i>BINGO!</i>	25 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 10:30am-Current Events Coffee Social <b>2:00pm-Bible Study (KC)</b>	26 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 2:00pm-Bistro & Board Games (SW) 3:00pm-Communion Service (Chapel)	27 <b>9:00am- Chats with Chaplain</b> 10:15am-Sittercise 2:00pm-Bingo <i>BINGO!</i>	28 10:15am-Sittercise (MK) 2:00pm- Nails (MK) <b>5:30pm-Sierra View Homes Benefit Dinner (KC)</b> (Tickets Required)	
29 <b>9:00am-Church Service (KC)</b> 2:00pm-Nails (MK)	30 10:15am-Sittercise(MK) 10:30am-Memory Jogger 2:00pm-Memory Lane)		<i>hello</i> 				