A reunion
75 years
in the making
Letter from the President

Dear Friends:

UPMC Senior Communities is now well into 2019, and I am happy to report that we are continuing the successes of 2018 and adding more to the list! I hope you enjoy the 2019 spring edition of Community Connections and the great stories featuring the wonderful residents who call UPMC Senior Communities home. More than 2,900 daily to be exact!

In this edition you will learn about the special robotics program at Sherwood Oaks, part of UPMC Senior Communities, a joint effort with students at North Catholic High School. Partnering with community organizations offers our resident’s opportunities to stay engaged beyond the campuses where they live. And don’t miss the article highlighting the many outreach efforts our seniors engage in on many campuses to give back to those less fortunate. Our outreach efforts our seniors engage in on many campuses to give back to those less fortunate. Our residents have so much to offer.

The special feature article about our oldest resident and mother, Elvira Durbeck, brings to light the longevity that abounds throughout UPMC Senior Communities. Remaining active after age 100 is becoming more of the norm than we ever imagined possible! And Vira, as she is known at her Seneca Manor home, will amaze you with her grace and fortitude.

Don’t miss information about the many activities taking place at all the UPMC Senior Communities locations, many of which are open to the public. The 2019 Legacy Lineup schedule is full of wonderful performances and free movies and seminars. Take advantage of the variety of happenings. It’s a great way to get to know us and what we have to offer. We would love to meet you!

And as always, thank you for your donations to the UPMC Senior Communities Benevolent Care Fund. Your generosity has helped so many of our independent, personal care, and assisted living residents remain in their homes, offsetting expenses that they can no longer afford. Your support is invaluable.

Sincerely,

Mark Bondi
President, UPMC Senior Communities

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Robotics Demonstration at Sherwood Oaks

The residents of Sherwood Oaks were visited by the North Catholic Robotics Team for a demonstration of a robot the students built for a national tournament.

Residents eagerly entered the auditorium, uncertain of what to expect. As they took their seats, they saw a fairly large piece of machinery with wires, six wheels and what looked like a bucket attached to some gears. Inside the bucket was an image of Kobe Bryant, the former shooting guard for the Los Angeles Lakers.

The students took the stage to introduce themselves and talk about what they’ve done while part of the Robotics Team. As participants of the national FIRST Robotics Competition, the students were required to design, build, code, wire, and market a fully functional robot.

The team then shared a video of their robot competing in last year’s World Championship Competition in Detroit.

The goal of the challenge was to have the robot toss as many balls as possible into a bin, much like throwing a basketball through a hoop — hence the name Kobe. The residents cheered when the robot won the challenge.

Students shared their own personal stories about what they’ve learned while on the Robotics Team. Aside from gaining the knowledge to code and build a robot, the students explained how they learned patience, gracious professionalism, how to better initiate conversations, and various other life skills.

Some students also shared their career goals. One young man hopes to work for Tesla, the car manufacturer based in Palo Alto, California that specializes in electric cars. The other students hope to transform their hobby into a profession by enrolling into more robust robotics programs at post secondary schools.

Jobs in the robotics and engineering industries have been traditionally held by men, but with a few girls in the club, this may be changing. Today, it’s not so uncommon to see girls participate in activities that were once dominated by boys. Residents seemed pleased to see such cultural advancement unfold before their eyes. The team expressed their gratitude to those whose careers involved science, technology, engineering, and mathematics for helping pave the way for future generations.

Residents were then invited to participate in a hands-on experience with Kobe the robot — operating it with a video game control attached to a laptop. The residents took turns controlling the robot while asking questions about the machine and the tournament. The future of robotics helped bring the past and present together for a special afternoon of kinship and curiosity.

Students from the award-winning North Catholic High School Robotics Team provided a demonstration to the delight of Sherwood Oaks residents.
Bob Adams and Wes Piros have a few things in common. They live down the hall from one another at Beatty Pointe Village, the UPMC Senior Communities independent living campus in Monroeville. They both celebrated their 95th birthdays in October, only three days apart. Both are full of vigor. Both served in the United States Army Air Forces during World War II.

What they didn’t know until recently was that they were “neighbors” in different quarters 75 years ago as Air Force cadets. Shortly after each man enlisted, Bob and Wes spent time in Texas to qualify to be a pilot, bombardier or navigator in the military’s Army Air Forces branch, which eventually became the U.S. Air Force. After Texas, each headed to Indiana for flight training at Butler University.

Bob has a photo of his fellow cadets at Hoosier Air Field. At the time, Bob recalls, he simply handed his camera to someone close by; the cadets lined up in two rows and smiled, and the image was captured.

Most of those 20 cadets pictured went their separate ways that day. Some fought and died in the war. Others stayed stateside in reserve, including Wes, who served until the end of the war on the West Coast working on bomber planes. Bob went on to serve on the European front as a radio operator in the infantry. The year was 1944.

One recent morning Bob brought that framed black and white photo down to breakfast at Beatty Pointe Village. Neither knew when Bob shared the photo with Wes the incredible coincidence would reveal itself.

In the photo, Bob and Wes are pictured toward the center, with Bob in the top row looking down at Wes in the bottom row. “I didn’t recognize myself in the picture at first,” said Wes, “mostly because I couldn’t believe it!”

The gentlemen do not remember one another specifically from their earlier days together, but they do share recollections of their time in Indiana.

“We slept in the field house in triple bunks,” Bob recalled. “Some nights we laid awake, wondering what tomorrow would hold.”

Wes remembers how the women and students in the town would sew and press their uniforms so that they were form-fitting. “They made us look like officers,” he said with a smile.

UPMC Senior Communities is home to hundreds of veterans across its 19 campuses. It is a privilege to share their stories, to honor them, and to express gratitude for their invaluable service.
Residents at Vanadium Woods Village, an independent living facility in Bridgeville, recently participated in their annual ‘Random Acts of Kindness’ trip, now in its sixth year. The residents visited the Salvation Army, Wellspring Mission, and Light of Life Mission to deliver clothes, monetary donations, and to spread good will.

Eleven residents, three of whom are over 90 years old, joined the bus trip and travelled to the homeless shelters with some staff members from Vanadium Woods Village. At each shelter stop, the group spoke with a representative to learn about their specific mission and operations.

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Residents who attend this event are treated to typical festival foods such as hot dogs, pierogis, and funnel cakes, as well as musical entertainment. Volunteers and families also participate by making baked goods for the festival bake sale.

“The seniors returned exhausted and exhilarated with new stories to tell,” David Ott, resident manager, said. “It is an eye opening and heartwarming experience for our compassionate seniors.”

Strabane Trails Village, an independent living facility, and Strabane Woods, an assisted living facility, located on the same campus in Washington County, hold an annual Lawn Fest that has raised more than $25,000 in the past 16 years. This event raises money for the UPMC Senior Communities Benevolent Care Fund, which supports eligible UPMC Senior Communities residents if they request financial assistance.

Residents of Sugar Creek Station, a skilled nursing and rehabilitation facility located in Franklin, create Valentine’s Day notes and cards for soldiers overseas – a project they have aptly named ‘Valentines for Veterans’.

“Resident Outreach


Residents stuff “Stockings for Soldiers” at Asbury Villas personal care facility in Mt. Lebanon.

Cumberland Woods Village residents collect vases for UPMC Passavant for distribution of donated flowers to patients.

“The residents write messages of thanks and encouragement to show appreciation for the soldiers’ service to our country,” Joyce Moore, Sugar Creek Station activities manager, said. “We have stickers, foam shapes, construction paper, and embellishments to create the cards.”

Residents at Sherwood Oaks in Cranberry Township, participate in a program called ‘Caps for Kids’, which donates knitted and crocheted hats to children annually.

“We have a group of about 20 residents who meet weekly to knit and crochet. In 2018, they made 802 caps, matching scarves, and blankets,” Phyllis Franks, Sherwood Oaks Director of Residential Services, said. “They donated these items to a variety of different local charities.”

Every year, the residents involved in this program decorate one of the Christmas trees in the lobby with some caps that were created throughout the year.

Residents of Asbury Heights’ personal care facility, Asbury Villas, collected items for soldiers and their service dogs this past Christmas. Known as “Stocking for Soldiers,” residents stuffed stockings provided by Beinhauer Funeral Homes with the sundries. Christmas cards, as well as handmade inspirational cards, were also included with each stocking.

“Giving it Forward” is a program run by residents at Cumberland Woods Village, an independent living facility in Allison Park. The residents collect vases throughout the year to give to the volunteer department at UPMC Passavant Hospital, who in turn, distributes vases full of flowers to hospital patients.

“We have so many residents who receive flowers from their families for Mother’s Day, birthdays, Valentine’s Day, and other holidays. They end up just throwing away the vases once the flowers die,” explained Christine Cassese, Life Enrichment Coordinator at Cumberland Woods Village.

In only a few months, the residents at Cumberland Woods Village have donated over 50 vases to Passavant Hospital. Passavant Hospital has a relationship with Trader Joe’s, who donates beautiful flowers multiple times per week.

“I was aware of a need and wanted to do my part to help,” Peggy Rudolph, Cumberland Woods Village resident, said. “When I had a stroke, I was given flowers and it was such a nice gesture. I wanted to be able to pay it forward in some way.”

Staying involved in the community helps give purpose to anyone’s life. The residents at UPMC Senior Communities facilities prove that working with others in the community is a wonderful way to stay connected, no matter the age.
Creating a Better Life for Seniors

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, October 16, 2019 and join the celebration! The 11th Annual Celebrating Senior Champions Dinner and Auction will be held at the Omni William Penn Hotel to honor three distinguished individuals and a superior organization for their outstanding accomplishments and focus in creating a better life for seniors.

This year, two Grand Champions will be recognized as accomplished pioneers in their field: William E. Klunk, MD, PhD and Chester A. Mathis, PhD, Distinguished Professor of Radiology. Dr. Klunk is a Distinguished Professor of Psychiatry and Neurology and Co-Director of the Alzheimer Disease Research Center at the University of Pittsburgh and past Chair of the Medical and Scientific Advisory Council of the National Alzheimer’s Association. Dr. Mathis is a Distinguished Professor of Radiology at the University of Pittsburgh, Director of the University of Pittsburgh Positron Emission Tomography (PET) Facility, and UPMC Endowed Chair of PET Research. These colleagues share the 2004 MetLife Foundation Award, the 2008 Potamkin Prize, and the 2009 Ronald and Nancy Reagan Research Institute Awards for research in Alzheimer’s disease.

The Community Champion recipient for 2019 is the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank under the leadership of Lisa Scales, President and CEO. Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank is a primary driver in comprehensive anti-hunger endeavors regionally, statewide, and at the national level. Seniors who are food insecure are more likely to have health concerns. Anticipating regional growth in our senior population, the organization is dedicated to ensuring that no senior need choose between buying food or medicine. Focused on serving the region’s most vulnerable populations with the healthiest foods possible, the Food Bank is committed to increasing access to fresh fruits and vegetables.

This year’s Caregiver recipient is Ralph T. DeStefano. Mr. DeStefano retired in 1999 following a very successful career in labor law practice and health care, much of which was spent expanding the UPMC Passavant campus. He has been a very influential force, particularly in the Northern region of Pittsburgh, for many decades and is truly an ambassador to the UPMC Passavant community. Ralph was instrumental in supporting the evolution of the Cumberland Woods Village independent living campus, including the adjoining conference center and performance theatre, that now serves as an important social outlet for thousands of seniors. He has taken a personal interest in many seniors whom he has helped guide and has contributed greatly to the reputation of the entire UPMC Passavant campus.

All proceeds from this annual fundraising event help to sustain the UPMC Senior Communities Benevolent Care Fund. The event has presented more than $1.3 million in net proceeds to further charitable care throughout UPMC Senior Communities since 2009.

TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE!
Contact Debra Panei, Director of Development for UPMC Senior Services, at 412-864-3524 or PaneiD@upmc.edu.
Celebrating Centenarians

Today, there are 45 residents at UPMC Senior Communities facilities, from independent living to personal care and assisted living to skilled nursing and rehabilitation, who are 100 years of age or more. Milestone centenarian birthdays mark extraordinary periods of personal and world history.

Our oldest resident is Elvira “Vira” Dzurbek of Seneca Manor, an assisted living facility in Penn Hills, who celebrates her 106th birthday this spring.

Vira and her family, including husband Rudolph, her mother, and her son, Herbert, became refugees of the Second World War. They fled their home in Yugoslavia with thousands of others, climbing through the window of a Red Cross train. They eventually disembarked in Bavaria, in what Vira describes as “barely a village,” on the edge of a forest not far from the Salle River. A family took them in, where they shared a single, unheated room. They ate a potato cooked in water for virtually every meal.

One of Vira’s most profound memories is of a time when Herbert, who was three years old when war broke out, fell gravely ill with fever. Doctors and medicines were scarce, and she feared for her son’s life. One evening at twilight, with fighting raging in the distance, Vira heard a knock at the door. She answered to find a woman she had never met, her face barely visible behind a scarf. The stranger asked if someone in the house was ill. “Yes,” said Vira, “my son is very sick.” The woman told Vira that she was not a doctor, but she wanted to help her son. She handed Vira a supply of pills, instructing her to give him one a day. The woman parted by saying “I will pray for your son.” On the sixth and last day of the supply, Herbert’s fever broke. Vira never saw the woman again. “It was a miracle,” Vira said simply and humbly.

An off-hand comment about her nail polish gives a clue to Vira’s philosophy towards living. When complemented on her manicure, she notes that someone told her she was too old for the wine color she was sporting. Vira says resolutely, “I did not get to be this old by doing what people tell me to do!”

Toasting a Milestone Anniversary

The champagne flutes came out at Seneca Hills Village, an independent living community in Penn Hills, to toast Ruth Huey, the longest tenured resident of UPMC Senior Communities. Ruth was honored at a ceremony marking her twenty-fifth year of residency, attended by family, fellow residents, and Senior Communities staff. Additionally, the Honorable Anthony M. DeLuca of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives presented Ruth with a citation in honor of this milestone.

Ruth recalled how an ad for “luxurious living for active seniors” caught her eye when she was still living in her Blackridge home. She recognized that the burden of home upkeep was taking energy away from her desire to remain active in ways that brought her joy. She toured and quickly made the decision to move. She knew that it was time, and to her benefit, to make the decision to move on her own terms.

Moving to Seneca Hills Village freed Ruth to volunteer with her church, with Meals on Wheels, and to travel, including adventures to Alaska and Amsterdam. She has remained active in the Seneca Hills Village community as well and continues to play the piano for religious services and the weekly hymn sing prior to Sunday’s noon meal.

Beloved by the Seneca community, Ruth has a refined, elegant nature. But she doesn’t mind a little friendly competition either; she delights in holding the building record for Wii bowling at five perfect games, a record she hopes will stand.

When asked to reflect upon her time at Seneca Hills Village, Ruth says, “I’ve enjoyed meeting people and participating in activities. I’ve made a lot of good friends over the years. I can’t think of a better place to live.”
Cahal Dunne

With an easy rapport and a great sense of humor, Cahal is truly an entertainer extraordinaire.

May 21, 2:00 p.m.
“The Demon on Brownsville Road”

June 13, 6:00 p.m.
Elvis Tribute

June 25, 2:00 p.m.
Voices in the Attic

July 9, 2:00 p.m.
“Stealing Lincoln’s Body”

August 6, 2:00 p.m.
Etta Cox

Cahal Dunne, Ireland’s Happy Man

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“Stealing Lincoln’s Body”

May 23, 2:30 p.m.
Judí Fígle with David Crisci

June 13, 2:30 p.m.
Elvis Tribute

June 27, 2:30 p.m.
Etta Cox

July 11, 2:30 p.m.
Power of Gratitude

July 25, 2:30 p.m.
Cahal Dunne, Ireland’s Happy Man

August 8, 2:30 p.m.
Voices in the Attic

August 22, 2:30 p.m.
Festival Opera

September 12, 2:30 p.m.
Identity Theft Seminar by Brian Catale

September 26, 2:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh Banjo Club

Donna Groom

Donna has performed nationally and internationally for many years and gives a must-see performance!

SENECA HILLS VILLAGE
Penn Hills, 412-793-1700

May 16, 3:00 p.m.
John Sarkis of the Skyliners

May 30, 3:00 p.m.
Cahal Dunne, Ireland’s Happy Man

June 10, 3:00 p.m.
Elvis Tribute

June 18, 3:00 p.m.
Sean Moran of the Vouges

July 1, 3:00 p.m.
Good Guys Band

July 25, 3:00 p.m.
Johnny Angel

August 8, 3:00 p.m.
Etta Cox

August 22, 3:00 p.m.
Creativity Expressed in Glass

September 5, 3:00 p.m.
Handwriting Analysis 101

September 24, 3:00 p.m.
Judí Fígle with David Crisci

SHERWOOD OAKS
Cranberry Township, 724-776-8100

May 7, 10:00 a.m.
Moving Seminar

May 21, 2:00 p.m.
John Sarkis of Skyliners

June 4, 2:00 p.m.
Open House

June 18, 2:00 p.m.
Insight into Clemente’s life on and off the field

July 9, 11:30 a.m.
Four-Course Conversation

July 23, 2:00 p.m.
Cahal Dunne, Ireland’s Happy Man

August 7, 2:00 p.m.
Button box

August 21, 2:00 p.m.
Handwriting Detective 101

September 12 and 12, 1:00 p.m.
AARP Driver Safety Course

September 17, 11:00 a.m.
Lunch n’ Learn

STRABANE TRAILS VILLAGE
Washington, 724-225-4100

May 7, 2:30 p.m.
“The Great One: The Life and Legacy of Roberto Clemente”

May 14, 2:30 p.m.
Cahal Dunne, Ireland’s Happy Man

June 14, 2:30 p.m.
Elvis Tribute

June 25, 2:30 p.m.
Lewis & Clark in the Rockies

July 2, 2:30 p.m.
Cahal Dunne, Ireland’s Happy Man

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Judí Fígle with David Crisci

August 21, 2:30 p.m.
Creativity Expressed in Glass

September 10, 2:30 p.m.
The Many Love Songs of Frank Sinatra, performed by Bo Wagner

September 23, 2:30 p.m.
History 16,000 Years in the Making

Creativity Expressed in Glass

Discover the “magic” and artistry of three glass masters: Dale Chihuly, Lino Tagliapietra, and Gabriel Loire.

UPMC Senior Communities
Check out these events at UPMCSeniorCommunities.com.

Community Connections

All events are free and open to the public! For a complete listing of events, visit UPMCSeniorCommunities.com.
Take advantage of great discounts when you buy more than one show. To order tickets, call Ticketfly at 1-877-987-6487, Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tickets can also be purchased online at TheLegacyLineup.com.

Saturday, April 27, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
SHADOWS OF THE 60’S: A TRIBUTE TO MOTOWN’S SUPER GROUPS
Dave Revels’ SHADOWS OF THE 60’s pays tribute to the tremendous legacy of The Four Tops, The Temptations, and The Supremes. Performing the hits that span the decades, with a grand finale featuring the music of Motown’s Smokey Robinson, Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder, Gladys Knight, Martha Reeves, Junior Walker, and more.

Saturday, May 18, 2019 - 7:30 p.m.
OLD FRIENDS – a Simon & Garfunkel Tribute
Old Friends is a stunning recreation of Simon & Garfunkel’s 1981 Concert in Central Park.

Saturday, June 8, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
JOHNNY ANGEL AND THE HALOS

Saturday, June 22, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
THE FABULOUS HUBCAPS

Saturday, July 13, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
BEACH PARTY BOYS TRIBUTE TO THE BEACH BOYS
BEACH PARTY BOYS reproduce the authentic look, vocal harmony and instrumentation of the Beach Boys!

Saturday, July 27, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
NIGHT FEVER BEE GEES TRIBUTE

Saturday, August 10, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
THE FABULOUS HUBCAPS

Saturday, August 24, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
PURE GOLD

Saturday, September 14, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
THE BIRD DOGS PRESENT: THE EVERLY BROTHERS EXPERIENCE TRIBUTE

Saturday, September 21, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
ABBAMANIA - ABBA TRIBUTE
“ABBAMANIA” is rated as the number one ABBA production in the world. With authentic costumes, made by the seamstress from MAMMA MIA, and incredible vocals, ABBAMANIA will take you back in time to when ABBA was on stage, live in concert.

Saturday, September 28, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
OLD FRIENDS - a Simon & Garfunkel Tribute
Old Friends is a stunning recreation of Simon & Garfunkel’s 1981 Concert in Central Park.

Saturday, October 5, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
THE FOUR ACES
Enjoy this American traditional pop music quartet, popular since the 1950s. Hits include “Love is a Many-Splendored Thing,” “Three Coins in the Fountain,” “Stranger in Paradise,” and “Tell Me Why.” Other big sellers include “Sherry-Lee,” “Perfidia,” and “Sincerely.”

Saturday, October 12, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
SINATRA AND STREISAND TRIBUTE
Bo Wagner, Pittsburgh’s finest Sinatra performer, and Donna Groom of the Skylines give an unforgettable performance accompanied by a full orchestra. Don’t miss this memorable concert.

Saturday, October 26, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
THE MARCELS

Saturday, November 16, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.
CHUCK BLASKO AND THE VOUGES

Saturday, December 7, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
JOHNNY ANGEL AND THE HALOS CHRISTMAS SHOW

Saturday, December 14, 2019 – 2 and 7:30 p.m.
PITTSBURGH DOO-WOP BIG BAND CHRISTMAS SHOW
Community Highlights at UPMC Senior Communities

Celebration
Seneca Hills Village
Verona
The Resident and Staff Party was a fun and festive way to celebrate and get to know your neighbors.

Honoring A Legacy
Asbury Heights
Mt. Lebanon
Residents and staff of Asbury Heights collaborated on a special project honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. which featured a collage of decorated paper hands representing the community’s differences and similarities.

Giving Thanks
Avalon Place
New Castle
Residents and more than 50 family members gathered at Avalon Place for the annual Thanksgiving dinner.

Think Pink
Avalon Springs Place
Mercer
Avalon Springs Place hosted a THINK PINK Day to recognize Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Bake-Off Challenge
Beatty Pointe Village
Monroeville
During a special cookie decorating activity, resident Joe Dube showed off skills he honed when he once worked decorating Smiley Cookies at Eat ‘n Park.

Artist of the Month
Canterbury Place
Lawrenceville
Resident Dolores Auge was the featured artist of the month and had her artwork showcased recently. The activity is an enjoyable time where residents listen to music, paint and laugh with each other.

A Day to Remember
Cranberry Place
Cranberry Township
Butler County Commissioner Kevin Boozel presented a proclamation to Wilda Householder on the occasion of her 104th birthday.

Hep Cats
Cumberland Crossing Manor
McCandless
The Pittsburgh Hep Cats entertained residents with their swing dancing on a recent visit to Cumberland Crossing. Many got up and gave it a whirl!

Building Houses
Hampton Fields Village, Allison Park
Young students from Winchester Thurston North worked with residents to create warm fleece blankets for dialysis patients. “Grandma’s Lap” is a community service activity at Strabane Woods.

A Wild Visit
Lighthouse Pointe, Fox Chapel
Pittsburgh Zoo visited with an opossum, a baby alligator, an owl, and a kinkajou. The hands-on activity allowed residents to learn and interact with the animals.

Happy Birthday
Seneca Manor
Verona
Happy Birthday to Elvira Durbeck who celebrated her 106th birthday on March 1.

Beautiful Angels
Seneca Place
Verona
The residents at Seneca Place enjoyed creating angels during an art therapy session. Each was unique and beautiful!

Team Sherwood
Sherwood Oaks Retirement Community
The residents of Sherwood Oaks Retirement Community participated in this year’s Walk to End Alzheimer’s on the North Shore.

So Adorable
Jameson Care Center
New Castle
Black cats were the subject for the painting session at Jameson Place. Artists enjoyed sipping on a nice beverage while painting their masterpieces.

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Your Gift

As a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, UPMC Senior Communities relies on philanthropic gifts to further the mission of delivering quality, affordable care and services to those we serve. UPMC Senior Communities is committed to providing a safe and welcoming home to older adults where they may remain active and independent for as long as possible and have easy access to nationally recognized health resources if their care needs change. Most importantly, this commitment extends to our long-time residents who are depleting their life savings, have outlived their financial resources. YOUR GIFT makes a difference each and every day for many.

Did you know?
• UPMC Senior Communities serves nearly 3,000 residents each day across 23 facilities in seven Pennsylvania counties.
• On any given day, approximately 50 life-enriching activities take place.
• More than 500 United States Veterans reside within our facilities.
• Your charitable donation may be directed to a specific UPMC Senior Community or fund that you care most about. All of this and more is made possible, in part, because of your philanthropic contributions. Please return YOUR GIFT in the enclosed envelope. For additional details on how you can further the mission of UPMC Senior Communities, contact the development office at 412-864-3524.

UPMC Senior Communities is a qualified charity listed under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations qualify for the charitable contribution deduction on federal income tax returns, subject to limits as established by the Internal Revenue Service. Please consult your tax advisor.

Need help finding community resources for seniors or caregivers?
Call the Aging Institute of UPMC Senior Services and the University of Pittsburgh free referral line at 1-866-430-8742 or visit Aging.UPMC.com.

Our Champions January 1 - December 31, 2018

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Arnett Carbis Toolman
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**Day of Health for Seniors**

**Tuesday, June 25, 2019 • 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**Cumberland Woods Village**

700 Cumberland Woods Drive, Allison Park, PA 15101

Presented by UPMC for Life and UPMC Senior Communities

Free health screenings by UPMC for Life and UPMC Centers for Rehab Services. No fasting required.

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