



NEW RESIDENT WORKSHOP

How and When Did Halloween Originate?

The name "Halloween" comes from "All Hollows Eve," which came the night before "All Hollows Day," a Catholic celebration in honor of the saints. Many years before this holiday originated, the Celtic Irish celebrated October 31 as the end of the summer as well as the "New Year" and called it "samhain."

The Celtic people believed that on this eve the souls of those who had died during the past year would return in search of living bodies to possess. If they did not possess a living body they would have no chance at the afterlife. None of the living wanted to be possessed by these spirits, so they would put out all the lights in their homes, dress up in ghoulish costumes, and reek havoc in their neighborhood to scare the spirits away.

Halloween came to America during the 1840's as Irish immigrants fled Ireland's potato famine, but contrary to popular belief, this is not where trick-or-treating originated. Trick-or-treating comes from the European custom of "souling." The day after "All Hollows Day," Christians would walk from town to town begging for "soul cakes," which were pieces of bread baked with currants. The more "soul cakes" that were given to the beggars, the more prayers the beggars would promise to the donors. The Roman Catholics believed that the newly dead stayed in "limbo," and prayers could help the souls get to heaven faster.

New Winter Hours

For the Fall and Winter months Walnut Village has changed the times for locking the doors. This is for the safety and security of the residents. The doors will be locked at 8:30 P.M. and unlocked at 7:30 A.M. Walnut Village wants to thank everyone for your cooperation.

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October Events Schedule

Wed. 3rd — 10:30 A.M. Church Services—United Church of Christ

Thursday 4th and 18th ---2:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M. -----Crafts

Saturday 6th ---3:30 P.M. ----Search and Rescue Team from Yankton, Lennox and Sioux Falls will be here with their 4 dogs.

Sunday 7th and 21st — 2:00-4:00-----Movie Matinee with popcorn and refreshments

Tuesday 9th-----Community Bingo

Thursday 11th-----Outing to Garrities Gardens for a tour and pie and coffee. There is a \$5.00 cost per person. If you are interested in going let LaVonne, Deanna or Gert know by October 8th.

Wednesday 31st --- Residents Halloween Party
There will be a Halloween Party held for the residents in the dining room October 31st after bingo. Dig out your costumes and we will see you there.



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Nurses Corner:

Getting a Flu Shot

The flu (influenza) is caused by a virus that's easy to spread. A flu shot is your best chance to avoid the flu. It's best to get a flu shot each October or November, before the flu season starts. If you are a visitor and are sick we ask that you please not visit the residents. Please take precautions as the flu can be very serious. Thank-You for your cooperation.

Thank You Note!

Walnut Village residents and staff would like to thank everyone that participated in our Labor Day Picnic, Guy Larson and his band for the music, Hy-Vee for the use of their bean bag boards, Cindy Kantase and family for the horse rides, Virgil Janssen and Eric Wolhoy for the grills, Joy Lightner and Tara Swanson for volunteering their time, Kelly Hertz for the news story and Ken and Lu for their musical entertainment. You have all touched the hearts of everyone through your generosity.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

Welcome

Walnut Village residents and staff would like to give a warm welcome to our new residents and Thank them for choosing to make their new home with us at Walnut Village.

Mildred Clark was born in Hymore, South Dakota. She graduated from the Hymore High School. In 1947 she married Marvin Clark in Gayville, South Dakota, from this union was born 2 children. Mildred and her husband farmed in Gayville area for 8 years. In 1956 the family moved to Center, Nebraska where Mildred worked 24 years as County Treasure for Knox County. As I was visiting with Mildred she commented " this is a wonderful facility and everyone is so friendly. And the meals, I haven't had food this good even in a restaurant, they are delicious. No! I don't have one complaint about being here."

Altha Mayer joined the Walnut Village family September 23rd , Altha moved here from Freeman, S.D. We look forward to getting more aquatinted.

New Employee

Walnut Village residents and staff would like to welcome Dorothy (**Dotty**) Honomichl to our family. Dotty has worked as a care giver for many years. She is a certified Nurses Aide and Medication Aide and is certified in CPR. Dotty is married and has one son. Deana , Roger and myself have had the privilege of working with Dotty previously , she is very dedicated to her work .