



AT KENTLANDS & LAKELANDS  
Promoting social connectedness – Providing support



## VILLAGE HAPPENINGS May 2024

### **A membership organization for residents of Kentlands & Lakelands 55 and over**

Getting together for a picnic with old and new friends is always wonderful. There is something special about enjoying good food and good company outdoors. Please join us on May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12 to 1:30 pm at the Kentlands Clubhouse for this event which is even more special because it's catered! As we grow older, making friends becomes super important, but so does keeping them close. That's why we are opening this event to members, volunteers and your friends and neighbors. If the weather's nice, we'll dine on the Kentlands terrace. If it rains, no worries! We'll just move the picnic indoors. Unfortunately, space is limited to 35 people, so please RSVP to Jean Mocarski at [jeanmocarski@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmocarski@gmail.com) or 240-449-9002. Don't miss out on this fantastic event!



Fran Randolph -- Chair

## CELEBRATE OUR MEMBERS AND VOLUNTEERS

### MAY BIRTHDAYS



Clifford Burke  
Carol Dymond  
Dena Feren  
Nancy Hardwick  
Janet Johnson  
Ruth Loube  
Rose Mahan  
Patricia Scholz  
Carol Tammaru



Share your good news with us (anniversaries, birth of grandchild/great grandchild, awards or recognition, something special in your life) by contacting [jeanmocarski@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmocarski@gmail.com) or 240-449-9002.

### MAY VKL EVENTS

**JUST A FEW TICKETS REMAINING for the THEATER TRIP to Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express. YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS IT. Sunday, May 5, 2pm**

**Where: F. Scott Fitzgerald Theater.**

**\$20pp Reserve now.**

**Join us for Happy Hour following the event**

Transportation can be provided. Contact Jean at [jeanmocarski@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmocarski@gmail.com) or 240-449-9002

**You Are Invited to the Spring Picnic**

**Wednesday, May 22, 12-1:30pm**

**Where: Kentlands Clubhouse Terrace**

Open to VKL Members, Volunteers, Friends, Neighbors...

**Catered food provided by VKL**

**RSVP by May 15** to Jean Mocarski at 240-449-9002 or [jeanmocarski@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmocarski@gmail.com)

**Limited to 35 guests**



## OTHER MAY EVENTS

### 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Gaithersburg Book Festival

A celebration of books, writers and literary excellence

**Saturday, May 18, 10am – 6pm**

**Where: Bohrer Park, 506 South Frederick Ave.**

**Free to attend, free to park.**

For more information and schedule of events [click](#)



## UPCOMING VLK EVENTS

**Meet and Greet. Make new friends. Help us plan upcoming events and programs.**

Open to VKL members, volunteers, neighbors and friends who want to learn more about what the Village can mean for them and how they can become involved.

Save the dates – more information to follow.

**LUNCH AT BURTON'S GRILL, Wednesday, June 26**

**WINE AND CHEESE AT GRAPE ESCAPE, Thursday, July 11**

## VOLUNTEERS ARE READY TO HELP YOU

**NEED HELP?** We have many volunteers ready and willing to help you in a variety of ways. Call Jean Mocarski at 240-449-9002 or email at: [jeanmocarski@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmocarski@gmail.com).

**WANT TO HELP?** Join our wonderful team of volunteers. Go to [www.kentlandslakelands.org](http://www.kentlandslakelands.org) or contact [jeanmocarski@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmocarski@gmail.com) or call 240-449-9002

## SHARE YOUR IDEAS



This is YOUR Village. We want to hear from you. Please share your ideas for programs, events, speakers, shared interest groups – **things that interest you will also interest others**. Contact Janice Rosenblatt at [janicerosenblatt11@gmail.com](mailto:janicerosenblatt11@gmail.com).

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

### **Age Friendly Montgomery**

### **A Longevity Ready Community**

### **Conference on Reimagining Housing for older Adults:**

Upcoming conference to address the need for available, affordable and accessible housing

Thursday, May 16, 9:30am -2:30pm

**Where:** Montgomery County Executive Office Building, 101 Monroe Street, Rockville

**Questions and to register:** [tremayne.jones@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:tremayne.jones@montgomerycountymd.gov)

### **May is Older Americans Month. Come and Celebrate**

### **Friday, May 24, 10am – 12 noon**

**Where:** Long Branch Senior and Community Center

8700 Piney Branch Road, Silver Spring

Resources, Nutrition Tastings, Raffles, Demonstrations, Bone Builders, Senior Fit, ZUMBA), Giveaways, Music and Karaoke, and more.

**Registration is not required.**

**Questions?** 240-777-6918

**Senior Call Check.** Maryland is the first state in the country to initiate a free, daily, automated telephone service to check in on Maryland residents age 65+. You can register on the [website](#) or by calling 866-502-0560

## KEEP IN TOUCH

Sign-up at [www.villagekentlandslakelands.org/newsletter](http://www.villagekentlandslakelands.org/newsletter) to receive a copy of our Newsletter. Follow us on [Facebook](#) and visit our [website](#) at [www.villagekentlandslakelands.org](http://www.villagekentlandslakelands.org)

## OUR MISSION

The Village at Kentlands and Lakelands (VKL) is a dynamic, volunteer driven, non-profit organization created to enhance the quality of life for residents of Kentlands and Lakelands, 55 and older. VKL assists them to live safely and independently in their homes and enriches their lives through social connectedness and cultural enrichment.