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Celebrating November

**Native American Heritage
Month**

**Inspirational Role Models
Month**

Adopt a Turkey Month

Dia de Los Muertos
November 1

Diwali
November 4

World Chili Day
November 6

Veterans Day
November 11

International Men's Day
November 19

Game & Puzzle Week
November 21–27

Thanksgiving Day
November 25

Hanukkah
November 28–December 6

Mason Jar Day
November 30



Thanksgiving Delights

**“On Thanksgiving Day we're thankful for
Our blessings all year through,
For family we dearly love,
For good friends, old and new.
For sun to light and warm our days,
For stars that glow at night,
For trees of green and skies of blue,
And puffy clouds of white.
We're grateful for our eyes that see
The beauty all around,
For arms to hug, and legs to walk,
And ears to hear each sound.
The list of all we're grateful for
Would fill a great big book;
Our thankful hearts find new delights
Everywhere we look!”**

By Joanna Fuchs

Caught in the Act

Please note that we have started a new program called “Caught in the Act”. This will be replacing our “Shining Star” program. Caught in the Act....of Kindness is a fun incentive and way for fellow employees and families/visitors to recognize staff who go out of their way for the residents and their team members. Simply take a slip of paper, jot down what was witnessed and pin it to the board that is by the Kitchen in Bld 2, and the front lobby of Bld 1. There are paper and pens by the boards. If you see a staff member out going above and beyond, please take a moment to recognize them. If you have questions, please reach out to Olesya or Jenn (Life Enrichment leads). You can sign your name if you wish or it can be anonymous.

News from the desk of the Life Enrichment leads:

Our gardens are done for the season! We have so enjoyed tending to them and benefitting from the abundance of tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers. We look forward to having a garden again next year! November will bring a variety of activities that include but are not limited to: Bingo, Noodle Ball, Happy Hour, Entertainment and so much more! The week of Thanksgiving we will be having a Thanksgiving celebration with the Residents. The exact day is yet to be determined

Administrative Assistants

Meet Heidi and Casey! They are the Administrative Assistants for Allouez Parkside Village 1 and 2. They both do so much for Allouez Parkside Village 1 and 2. If you have any concerns or questions at Building 1, please talk to Heidi at 920-430-8500. If you have any concerns or questions at Building 2, please talk to Casey at 920-432 – 3322, or stop by the Administrative Assistants Office at each Building. We look forward to meeting you!

Olympic Revival

In 1832, after years of fighting for independence against the Ottoman Empire, the Kingdom of Greece finally became a sovereign state. Evangelos Zappas had joined the fight, rising to the rank of major in the revolutionary army. After the war, he moved to Romania and became one of the wealthiest men in Eastern Europe. These two factors—Zappas' passionate patriotism and his vast personal resources—led him to singlehandedly finance the revival of the Olympic Games in Greece on November 15, 1859.



Zappas found inspiration for reviving the Olympics from the writings of the poet Panagiotis Soutsos.

Greece's long subjugation by the Ottoman Empire, especially when contrasted with the glories of ancient Greece, was a source of national embarrassment. In 1833, after the country obtained independence, Soutsos penned a poem entitled *Dialogue of the Dead* in which he imagines that the ghost of the philosopher Plato returns to Greece only to lament its fall from glory. Plato asks, "Where are all your theatres and marble statues? Where are your Olympic Games?" Soutsos would eventually petition the Greek government to declare a national holiday commemorating Greek independence, with the chief festivities of the day being a revival of the Olympics. Interest in resurrecting the Olympic Games grew for 20 years, finally culminating in Zappas' offer to fully fund the revival.

In 1856, Zappas made a personal plea to King Otto of Greece, offering not only to fund the games but to provide cash awards to the victors. Greek government officials were not enthusiastic. They worried that the Olympics, as an ancient tradition, would hinder Greece's push to modernize the country, but King Otto was won over by the prospect of Zappas' full sponsorship. On November 15, 1859, the first modern Olympic Games was held in Athens. Upon Zappas' death in 1865, he left a fortune dedicated to funding future Olympiads, which would be held in 1870, 1875, and 1888.

Leaves – By Elsie .N. Brady

**“How silently they tumble down
and come to rest upon the
ground. To lay a carpet, rich and
rare, beneath the trees without a
care. Content to sleep, their work
well down, colors gleaming in the
sun. At other times, they widely
fly, until they nearly reach the
sky. Twisting and turning through
the air, till all the trees stand star
and bare. Exhausted, drop to
earth below, to wait, like
children, for the snow”.**

Voice from Outer Space



On November 26, 1977, viewers of a news program in the south of England were shocked by a strange and unexpected interruption.

The picture wobbled and a deep, otherworldly voice announced, "This is the voice of Vrillon, a representative of the Ashtar Galactic Command." The name Ashtar might have been familiar to some listeners. In 1952, George Van Tassel, an avid believer in UFOs, claimed that he had communicated telepathically with an alien of the same name. More than 20 years later, Ashtar was back, this time in the form of Vrillon. The voice spoke for six minutes, urging Earthlings to give up their "weapons of evil." While authorities are certain the transmission was a hoax, the person claiming to be Vrillon was never found.

Ace of Spies

It is fitting that Sidney Reilly, the man known as the “Ace of Spies” and the “greatest spy in history,” had a mysterious past. While no one truly knows where he was born, where he was trained, the true nature of his adventures and exploits, or even his birth name, Reilly’s end is all too well-known. In November of 1925, Soviet agents caught and executed the super spy, a grim ending that turned the man into a myth.

Some reports suggest that Reilly began his life of duplicity during his teenage years. As a teenager, he faked his own death and left Russia for Brazil, where he worked odd jobs, changed his name to Pedro, and eventually got a job as a cook for British intelligence in 1895. During a mission, he allegedly saved the entire group, an act that won him safe passage to London. But still another story says that, during the same year, Reilly was in



Paris, where he killed two Italian anarchists aboard a train before resurfacing in London. Either way, it was while living in London that he was recruited as an informant for Scotland Yard’s Special Branch, a precursor to the British secret service.

Through his contacts at Scotland Yard, Reilly eventually went to work in Russia, where he was recruited by the Japanese. He became a double agent, gathering intelligence for both Great Britain and Japan. The life of a spy certainly suited Reilly. He would later travel to Germany to steal technology and weapons. He would appear again in Russia, orchestrating the assassination of Vladimir Lenin and a coup against the Bolsheviks. He would fake German acts of sabotage to draw the United States into World War I.

Whether these exploits and others were factual or not, Reilly’s death catapulted him to near-mythical status. During the 1930s, Sidney Reilly was a household name. He was the model for Ian Fleming’s James Bond. He became the villain in countless Russian movies. In 1983, he was depicted by Sam Neill in the British television series *Reilly, Ace of Spies*.



APV 1 November Birthdays

Betty H – Nov 9th.

APV 2 November Birthdays

Happy Birthday, Happy Birthday, we love you. Happy Birthday, Happy Birthday, may all your dreams come true. As you blow out the candles, one light stays aglow, it's the love light in your eyes, the whole year through.

Turn of the Tide



In Cornwall, in the United Kingdom, October 31 brings the holiday of Allantide. Like Halloween, Allantide is believed to be a day when the barrier between the living and the dead is lifted. For this reason, Allantide is a day when people seek the advice of fortune tellers who can commune with the spirits. Walnuts thrown into fires confirm the fidelity of spouses. Molten lead cast into water hardens into a shape that foretells future employment. Thanks to its proximity to the harvest season, Allantide also boasts several harvest traditions. It is common to visit an Allan Market and buy a bright red Allan apple to gift to children. Girls will sleep with these under their pillows in the hopes of dreaming of their future husbands. Not sleeping with the Allan apple under your pillow brings back luck. Another tradition more reminiscent of Halloween is the carving of jack-o'-lanterns out of turnips.