

# Tidings of Peace

A NEWSLETTER FOR RESIDENTS, FAMILIES, & GUESTS

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## OLOP Core Values

As Our Lady of Peace community members, we are **HONEST** in all situations.

This is something our team members take seriously. We do our best to create a warm and welcoming community where everyone is heard.

## Kindness Corner

Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud.  
~Maya Angelou~

Kindness is a gift that everyone can afford to give!

~Author unknown~

## Phone Scams: What You Need to Know

Albemarle County Sheriff's Deputy John Howard will give a presentation about five common phone scams that target a wide group of people. He will discuss ways to potentially recognize fraudulent actions and steps to prevent being scammed. This event will be held on **Saturday, March 21, at 10:00** in the **DePiro room**. It is open to your families and friends. Save your spot and **RSVP** to Sherry Beverage by **Monday, March 16**, at (434) 973-1155 ext. 423 or email [sherry.beverage@our-lady-of-peace.com](mailto:sherry.beverage@our-lady-of-peace.com)

## Lets Go Bowling

You are invited to go bowling with the Life Enrichment staff on **Friday, March 27, at 1:30** to **Bowlero**. Haven't bowled in a while? That's ok they offer accessories to assist you with bowling.



Cost of Bowling is approximately **\$15.00**. Food and drink are extra. If you would like to join us this fun outing. **Sign up** at the mailboxes starting **Friday, March 20**.

Join resident and former professional entertainer, **Eileen Bracuti**, for **Music & Fun** on **Wednesday, March 4, at 2:00** in the **DePiro Room**. She will play the guitar, sing, and add in some humor to her program.

On **Thursday, March 12, at 2:30** resident **Bill Porter** invites you to join him in the main lobby for Music & Song. Bill plays piano with the **Flash Backs** at the Center.

We will be celebrating **St. Patrick's Day** on **Tuesday, March 17, at 2:00** in the **Dining Room**. Enjoy **Irish** song and music with **Matthew O'Donnell**. Light refreshments will be served. This is one show you don't want to miss! Bring a friend!

From the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. **Kim & Jimbo Cary** play acoustic music with roots in tradition including authentic old-time banjo tunes, flat-pickin' bluegrass & southern mountain music, Celtic melodies, jigs and reels. Join them on **Friday, March 20, at 2:00** in the **DePiro room**. ~Taken in part from 20SouthProductionswebpage~

## Wine & Cheese Social

Join your OLOP friends and neighbors for a **Wine & Cheese Social** on **Friday, March 6, at 2:00** on the 3rd floor lobby. Enjoy a glass of wine or soda and a tasty treat!

## Men's Group

The men of OLOP are invited to join together with their fellowmen on **Tuesday, March 31, at 2:00** in the card room. Light refreshments will be served.

## Book Mobile

The Jefferson-Madison Area Regional Library book mobile stops at Our Lady of Peace on the **2nd and 4th Wednesday** of the month at **11:30 under the Portico**.



## ***St. Anne's-Belfield School***

Students from St. Anne's-Belfield will be returning to volunteer on Thursday, March 19. This is the students' second year of coming to OLOP on a weekly basis. Under the direction of teacher Ariane Barrillon, the students visit most ***Tuesdays*** and ***Thursdays*** from ***1:00 to 1:45***. Although the visits are short and not the ideal time slot, they make the most of it! The students enjoy connecting with residents and playing games, such as seated volleyball, crafts, Rummikub and more. This intergenerational program has been beloved and beneficial for both students and residents. Recognition is due to Ariane and the school for making this off campus program possible. We are grateful to them for giving the students and residents the opportunity to come together on a frequent basis to create lasting bonds and memories in each other's lives. We invite you to join in the students' visits to OLOP. We have scheduled two special visits with them. On ***Tuesday, March 24***, join them for a game of Seated Volleyball at 1:00 in the DePiro Room and on ***Thursday, March 26***, enjoy playing Bingo at 1:00 in the DePiro Room and ***Tuesday, March 31***, join the students for a Cake Walk in the DePiro Room.

### ***Evening Movies***



Volunteer Fred Schinder will be showing the following evening movies in March. Movies will be at 7:00 pm, in the Theater.

**March 1, *Raiders of the Lost Ark***

**March 8, *Dr. Zhivago***

**March 15, *Goldfinger***

**March 22, *The Sting***

**March 29, *The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly***

Fred will also be showing ***The Crown*** on **Thursday evenings at 7:00** in the **Theater**. Bring a friend and enjoy the show!

## ***Virginia History with Rick Britton***

On **Monday, March 2, at 2:00**, Rick will present: "**The Battle of Cowpens.**" The Revolutionary War battle was fought on January 17, 1781, in northwestern South Carolina. Bloody and decisive, the contest pitted 45-year old Morgan, "The Old Waggoner," against the rash and brutal 26-year-old British Lieut. Col. Banastre Tarleton. Morgan adopted an unusual formation for the fight—one that effectively encouraged his enemy's recklessness—and in the ensuing clash virtually annihilated Tarleton's column.

**Monday, March 16, at 2:00**, Rick will deliver "**A Most Fearful Calamity: 1895 U.Va. Rotunda Fire.**" A catastrophe of the first magnitude, the 1895 blaze was a shock to the entire community. Students, faculty, and firefighters battled the fire for hours, but eventually yielded to the inevitable: Thomas Jefferson's beautiful Rotunda was gutted. The tragedy was so destructive that it can be taken as the close of one period in U.Va. history. **Both talks** will be held in the **DePiro Room**. Bring a Friend!

### ***Out to Lunch Sedona Taphouse***

Join your OLOP friends and neighbors for a lunch outing at **Sedona's Taphouse** on **Thursday, March 12**. Sedona's is one of C-villes favorite places to eat. Their lunch menu includes a house soup, salads, sandwiches such as Alpine Chicken sandwich, Caribbean Crab sandwich, Prime Rib sandwich and so much more. If you would like to go **sign up at the mailboxes** starting on **Thursday, March 5**.

### ***Out to Lunch at Jack's Shop Kitchen***

We will be going on an out to lunch on **Tuesday, March 24**, to **Jack Shop's Kitchen** located in Ruckersville. They serve breakfast items like Huevos Gringos, and Truffle Benedict, variety of unique sandwiches, such as Balsamic Chicken, Fried Green Tomatoes BLT, and salads. If you would like to go **sign up** at the **mailboxes** starting **Tuesday, March 17**.

### ***Lunch In from Chipotle***

We will be having a lunch in from **Chipotle's** on **Wednesday, March 18**. Their menu includes bowls, tacos, and Mission burritos made to order. If you would like to order lunch and eat with your OLOP friends **sign up at the mailboxes** starting **on Wednesday, March 11**.



Mr. Thomas Jefferson AKA Tom Pritz spoke to residents on the coming of the approval of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, eight years after he had retired from his elected position.



A question and answer session followed the talk.



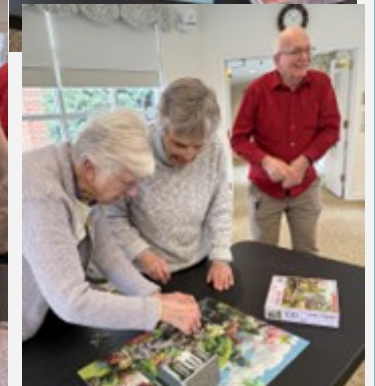
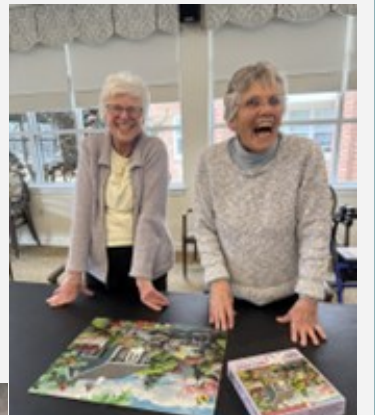
### Kindness Day

Residents, staff, and students from St. Anne's Belfield School both made cards with positive messages to give to their friends and neighbors.



### Puzzle Contest

Four groups of two residents participated in a Puzzle Contest. Each group had identical puzzles and competed to see who could finish the puzzle the fastest. And the winner's were Ronny Waters & Janie Blanche with a time of 28 minutes!



## Lenten Speakers Series, 2026

Dr. Peter Fraser-Morris, PHD, Professor of Religious Studies UVA;  
“*The Saints*”; **Thursday, February 27, 1:30; DePiro Room**

Father Gabriel Hanley, Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church; “*Parables on the Journey to Easter*” **Tuesday, March 3, 2:00; DePiro Room**

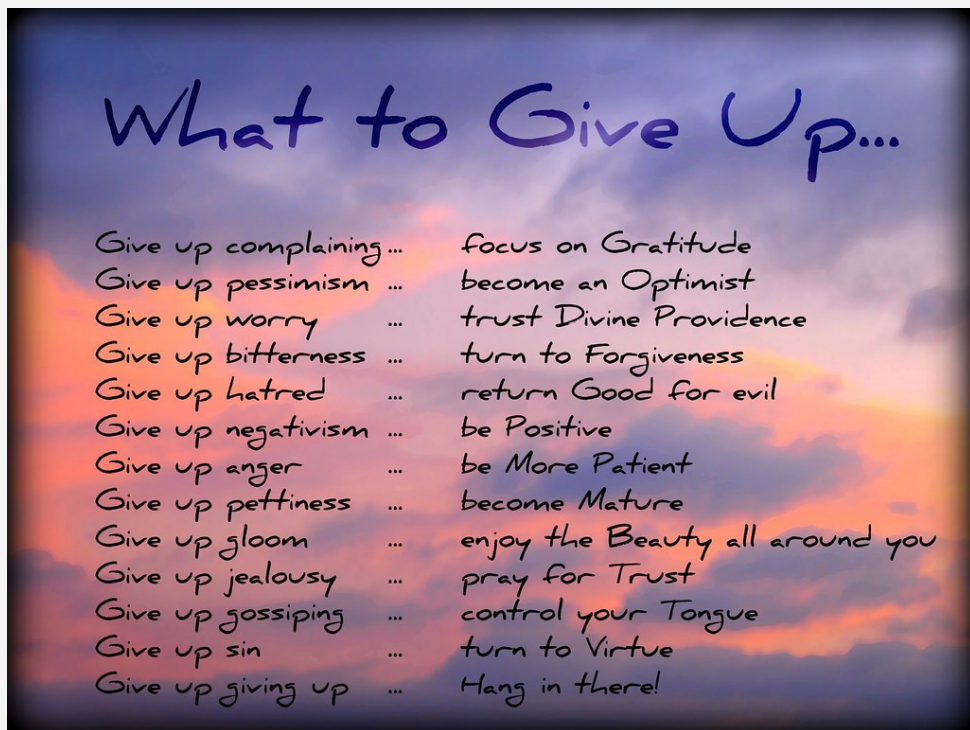
Father Joseph Scordo, St. Thomas Aquinas Pryory, O.P; “*The Joys of Suffering and Forgiveness*” **Tuesday, March 10, 2:00; DePiro Room**

Monsignor Tim Keeney, Church of the Incarnation, “*What does the new Order of the Sick and Their Pastoral Care have to Teach Us*” **Tuesday, March 24, 2:00; DePiro Room**

Pastor Ryan Holcombe, Union Baptist Church, “*It Is Finished, John 19:28-30*” **Wednesday, April 5, 2:00; DePiro Room**

Rabbi Tom Gutherz, Senior Rabbi, Congregation Beth Israel; “*What Christians need to know about Jews and Judaism*” **Thursday, March 19, 2:00; DePiro Room**

Catholic Mass **Wednesday, March 25, at 10:00** in the DePiro Room The Annunciation of Our Lord.



## **Residential and Assisted Living Resident Council Meeting**

Resident Council Meeting is a monthly meeting where you, the residents, have the opportunity to meet as a community and share your questions, concerns, suggestions, and feedback on the happenings at OLOP. Per your invitation, Department Managers will be available to give you updates of what is going on at OLOP and answer any questions you may have.

### **Resident Birthdays**

Dan Bain	3rd
Debra Edgar	4th
John Horan	4th
Gerald Brown	8th
Peggy Bidwell	11th
Connie Porter	12th
Bob Surdukowski	15th
Virginia Roy	16th
Vickie Parr	22nd
James Henderson	26th
Jenny Ryalls	28th
Carol Maslow	30th

### **Staff Birthdays**

Linda Cabell	3rd
Cameron Tanous	11th
Malaiya Terrell	17th
Brianna Clarkson	17th
Rebecca Morris	20th
Maritza Arizmendi	22nd
Mathias Holcomb	23rd
Keona Thompson	24th
Sherry Beverage	26th
Dell Washington	27th
Delano Logan	27th



*We will celebrate residents Birthdays on Wednesday, March 25, at your regular Dinner seating.*

