The Bethany Villager

Look for us in the St. Patty's Day Parade!
March 14th at 2pm!

Spring Begins!
March 19th!

Daylight Saving Time!
March 8th
The Courtyards at Bethany

It was emigrants, particularly to the United States, who transformed St. Patrick’s Day into a largely secular holiday of revelry and celebration of things Irish. Cities with large numbers of Irish immigrants, who often wielded political power, staged the most extensive celebrations, which included elaborate parades. Boston held its first St. Patrick’s Day parade in 1737, followed by New York City in 1762. Since 1962 Chicago has colored its river green to mark the holiday. (Although blue was the color traditionally associated with St. Patrick, green is now commonly connected with the day.) Irish and non-Irish alike commonly participate in the “wearing of the green” sporting an item of green clothing or a shamrock, the Irish national plant, in the lapel. Corned beef and cabbage are associated with the holiday, and even beer is sometimes dyed green to celebrate the day. Although some of these practices eventually were adopted by the Irish themselves, they did so largely for the benefit of tourists.

March Events!
3/1, 3/15 & 3/29- Ed Clute concert 2pm
3/3 – SitterDance! 2pm
3/5- Spring Fling! - BACKTALK BAND 2PM
3/5 & 3/19-Hands & nails 10:30am
3/14-St. Patricks Day Parade
3/6 & 3/20 — Paint Class 10:30am
3/12-Bell Choir 2pm
3/21-Clemens Center Common Time! 7pm
3/31-Sing-a-long! 2pm
Every Monday— History 2pm
Every Tuesday— Live Music 10:30am
Every Friday — Happy hour! 3pm
Monday, Thursday & Saturdays — Bingo!
Every Wednesday — Shopping!
Every Day — Strollers & sittercize!

Bethany Village offers a Caregivers Support Group session monthly for the Alzheimer’s Association. The group meets every third Thursday from 12:15-1:15 in the Courtyards Day Club Room. There is no charge for the meeting and we supply lunch. If you would like more information, please call the Home Care office at 607-378-6613.
Who We Are

Common Time is a professional choral group from the Elmira, NY area. We are a non-profit organization with strong ties to the community. We are committed to performing three free concerts each year. We are committed to performing around the community as a service to the area's residents.

Our History

Common Time Choral Group was started in 1985 when Karen Rafferty and a friend were riding in their car listening to the radio. They decided that Elmira and its vicinity needed a choral group to perform popular music. They began organizing it. Paul Holland was contacted to be the director. Rehearsals began in January of 1985 and the first concert was held at EFA in April of '85. The original group consisted of 37 people. The group now averages 70 - 80 singers. Concerts were held in various high schools around the area until November 1987 when they moved to Mandeville Hall in the Clemens Center. In Mandeville, the group's audience quickly outgrew the space. They started to hold a concert on Saturday night and another Sunday afternoon. Concerts were held here until March of 1990 (their 5th anniversary) when they moved into the Powers Theater. This happened because Kenny Rogers needed the space. Common Time was asked by the Clemens Center staff if they would move to the main hall - at the same cost. With great trepidation, they accepted the offer. Could they possibly even begin to fill the hall? House Manager Venetra was certain they could. And they did! Performances have been held there ever since. For most concerts Common Time draws 1000 - 1500 people in the audience. Common Time is a not for profit organization and performs all concerts free of charge as a gift to the community. The group performs 3 major concerts a year. They begin their season with a holiday concert. This is held the Saturday after Thanksgiving each November. The next concert is performed in March. Each year a special theme is featured. They have done country, jazz, Broadway, music from TV, commercials, names, patriotic, and many, many more. The upcoming concert will feature all Broadway music which has been performed by the group during the past 20 years. The final concert of the year is the first weekend in June. This will be a potpourri of all types of music. In addition to the full concerts, Common Time performs all the chorus songs in various places in the community. They sing for most of the nursing homes in the area one or more times each year. They have sung for community events such as the Arts in the Park, Corning Summer Song, the Christmas Parade, Corning Museum events, private parties, etc.
**March Happenings**

- **Shirley S. 3/01**
- **Stella P. 3/01**
- **Devine L. 3/07**
- **Martha H. 3/08**
- **Fernard P. 3/16**
- **Ellen M. 3/20**
- **Rita R. 3/25**

**ACTIVITY HAPENINGS**

- 3-5 Resident Council
- 3-7 Music: Mark Spicer
- 3-9 Music: George Mann
- 3-16 Ladies Club Tea
- 3-17 St. Patrick’s Day Social
- 3-19 Pet-A-Pet
- 3-23 Music: Russ Keyser
- 3-25 Resident Birthday Party
- 3-26 Shoppers Service
- 3-27 Giuseppe's

**Join us in the Activity Room for:**

- Church every Sunday
- Catholic services the 2nd & 4th Wed.
- Breakfast Club every other Tuesday
- Bingo 3 times a week
- Bible Study every Thursday
- Baking/Cooking every week
- Along with in room activities offered daily

**March 8th**

**Social Workers Do the Heart Work**

**National Social Work Month**

**March 27th**

**SHOFER**

Shopper Service

Watch your mailbox for more information

**OUTPATIENT THERAPY SERVICES**

607-378-6502

~PHYSICAL~
~OCCUPATIONAL~
~SPEECH~
To All Bethany Village Employees
Thank you for all that you do! May you be proud of the work you do, the person you are and the difference you make... each and every day!

You Make A Difference!

Thankyou!

In a world where you can be anything

Upcoming Event

FAMILY FORUM
May 2020

You don’t want to miss these important topics!

Critical Conversations
CareFirst staff will discuss how to make difficult decisions with your loved ones.

Advance Care Planning
Why it’s important to make plans before you can’t.

Chemung County Department of Aging and Long Term Care

Legal Aspects of Caregiving with Attorney John Maloney

Monday, March 30, 2020. 5:00-7:30pm
Horseheads American Legion
Free ~ Light Dinner ~ Presentation

Legal and financial tools you and your caregiver needs to ensure that your future long term financial and healthcare wishes are met.

Aging professionals certified healthy insurance counselors will be available to screen participants for program and benefits and to
Pastoral Care
Catholic Rosary every Wed. 10:30 at Courtyards in Auditorium
Church Services: Sundays
Courtyards @10:30
Manor @ 2:00
Bible Study: Tues & Thurs.
Tues: @ 10:00 Courtyards
Thurs: @2:00 Manor
Sensory church (every other week)

For more info contact:
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On your computer, or on your smartphone!
bethany-village.org

Our Mission:
Bethany Village is your home. Our care is personalized, exceptional, and compassionate

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