We are virtual neighbors enabling mature adults to come together to LEARN, PLAN, and SERVE with spirit and dignity.

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From the Pirector



Marilyn Olson, Executive Director

We are all aging, everybody is doing it! VillagesOKC members are embracing aging with purpose and joy.

We are mature adults in the 21st century, preparing to live successfully for 120 years. We embrace both technology and handwritten notes. We connect virtually as well as in person. Now beginning its fourth year, VillagesOKC is maturing into a well-run business developing plans for sustainability. We believe VillagesOKC is perfectly positioned to empower, educate and encourage personal responsibility among mature adults.

## **Our Core Principles**

# **Our Initiatives**

BRAIN -- GIFT -- VETERANS -- CAREGIVER AMBASSADOR -- PORCH PALS

# **Our Strategy**

Connect trusted people using every possible voice with trusted organizations and businesses who focus on educating, not selling. Mature adults will make the best decision for themselves.





Meet Amy

We are excited to have Amy Shirola joining us as our Office Manager. Amy is married to Andy and they have 3 children, one in college and 2 in high school. She comes to us with a variety of experience from entrepreneurship to corporate accounting. When you call our office she's most likely the one answering the phone and a cup of coffee will be close by!

Upcoming Events



## HAVE YOU TAKEN THE GIFT CLASS?

We loved the GIFT. We thought we had a pretty good handle on everything we needed. The class opened our eyes to all the items we had not even thought about. A wonderful GIFT to give your children.

- Kathy O.

## GARAGE SALE

Friday and Saturday April 8th - April 9th 9am - 3pm

Want to donate? Drop them at the VillagesOKC office on Thursday April 7th from 10am-1pm All proceeds will benefit VillagesOKC



You need to know ..



Look for 2 items outside your house (in your patio, entryway, yard....) that can go

The VillagesOKC planning team met in March to discuss goals and strategy for 2022. This is an exciting time to be a VillagesOKC member and we are so thankful for you!

Please share the VillagesOKC opportunity with a friend



Member Spotlight



### FOUNDING VILLAGES MEMBER, BEVERLY LANGLEY

Beverly was a great example and leader in aging well. Not only was she joyful and encouraging, she most often said "Yes!"

She was a leader and said "Yes!" to being the first VillagesOKC member. She said "Yes!" to allowing us to use her photo on our brochures. She said "Yes!" to the GIFT workshop and yes to our first brain class. She said "Yes!" to holding an art show with all her works.

And through it all she gave God the glory for being able to say "Yes!".

Beverly will be sorely missed!

## <u>I WANT TO SEE IT!</u>

My husband and I love to give to charitable organizations we value like VillagesOKC. Last week we met with our Trust advisor. I told him, "Sure we want some money left in our estate for the children, but <u>I</u> <u>WANT TO SEE</u> some of our contributions go to work while I'm living!" Being a part of VillagesOKC and seeing the rapid growth forward is very exciting. Love seeing my money go to work!

-Linda Kathy Holman



April Calendar

- 5 Gift Class @ MCM Insurance 10:00am
- 6 Gift Class @ Bethany First Church 6:30pm
- 7 Gift Class @ Crossings Community Church 1:00pm
- 7 Brain Academy #7 1:00pm
- 8 Villages Garage Sale 9am-3pm
- 9 Villages Garage Sale 9am-3pm
- 12 Women's Coffee @Whipped Bakery 10:00am
- 12 Gift Class @ MCM Insurance 10:00am
- 13 Gift Class @ Bethany First Church 6:30pm
- 13 New View Factory Tour 1:00pm
- 14 Gift Class @ Crossings Community Church 1:00pm
- 14 SLTS: The Truth about Getting Your Affairs in Order: Bad Blood and Blended Families 1:00pm
- 19 Gift Class @ MCM Insurance 10:00am
- 20 Gift Class @ Bethany First Church 6:30pm
- 20 Christian Womens Bazaar and Luncheon 11:00am
- 21 Gift Class @ Crossings Community Church 1:00pm
- 26 Gift Class @ MCM Insurance 10:00am
- 27 Gift Class @ Bethany First Church 6:30pm
- 28 Gift Class @ Crossings Community Church 1:00pm
- 30 Cook2Gether @Whipped Bakery 2:00pm

Next Month





Special video appearance by Oklahoma's Featuring Grammy-nominated trumpeter David Hooter

SENIOR FOLLIES SUNDAY, MAY 22ND 3:00PM

Grab your ticket through VillagesOKC by calling the office or registering online. We'll watch the Senior Follies and have dinner together afterwards.

Nid you know ....

Did you know you can view all the VillagesOKC events on our online calendar? You can also register there as well!

Just click the link below to check it out! https://villagesokc.helpfulvill age.com/events



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In the Community



The Bethany Library is now hosting a book club! They meet monthly on the last Tuesday of the month at 11 A.M.

Here's their monthly lineup

- March 29th, The People We Keep by Allie Larkin
- April 26th, The Midnight Library by Matt Haig
- May 31st, Project Hail Mary by Andy Weir

Questions? Contact Mitch Leasure, Librarian 405-789-8363

#### Handkerchiefs vs. Hankie

Make plans to attend this month's Women's Coffee. We will be discussing the history of handkerchiefs and their meanings. Feel free to bring some of your hankies to share with the group!



Whipped Bakery 3820 N MacArthur, Warr Acres Tuesday, April 12th 10:00am



In the Community

# O K L A H O M A

New View Oklahoma is an organization that provides vision services for older adults.

VillagesOKC is excited to work with them this year and offer you a tour of their state of the art, cutting edge factory Wednesday April 13th at 1pm

Can't make it this month? We will have additional tours this year!

Veterans Pinning

We enjoyed sponsoring the Veteran's Pinning at the Oklahoma History Center Tuesday, March 28th



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