



Connections

From the Director

The Good Book in Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 says, "Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor; If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up."



Marilyn Olson,
Executive Director

The Value of a Partner

A partner multiplies the ideas, lightens the workload and makes the impossible, possible. Working together in community can accomplish more than any one person alone. And the benefit of working together flows to both. When individuals first take personal responsibility then work together with others who are like-minded, a great city like ours can become the best place to age successfully.

A village occurs when neighbors help neighbors throughout all of greater Oklahoma City. It always has been; it always will be. Here's how it works:

When one VillagesOKC member asked about spring decluttering, VOKC member Carolyn (Nichols Hills) offered her garage for a sale. Another member Bonnie (Guthrie) was experienced and offered to price the items, get the permit and manage the sale. Eddie (South OKC) promoted the event on social media. Soon others began decluttering, Jim (North OKC) hauled larger items in his trailer and soon the garage was full. Suzie (Edmond) wanted to help Bonnie as did Kay (Yukon), Jan (West OKC), Leyda (North OKC) and even 8 yr old Jane (far north OKC) with a lemonade stand. Result? Laughter, new friends, a clean garage and \$1992 for VillagesOKC.

YOU are a valued connection in an organization that is becoming an extraordinary magnet for all things senior adult in greater Oklahoma City. Your partnership is allowing others to find purpose and friendships by working together. VillagesOKC simply brings people, ideas, and organizations together.

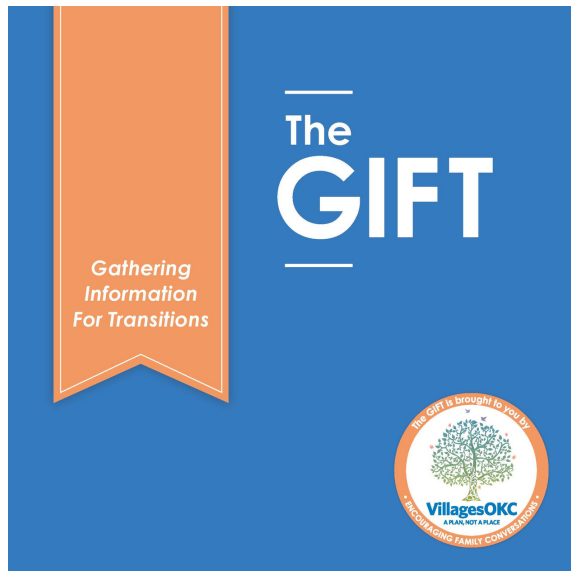
Thanks to you, the partners each who share the skills and ideas to make VillagesOKC a Plan for Aging that Connects a Community.

Meet Dana



We are excited to have member, Dana Bellows, join the VillagesOKC staff as part time support. Her first assignment is focusing on The GIFT project. Dana has a background in insurance at State Farm, PacifiCare and UnitedHealthcare. She enjoys gardening, crime documentaries and believes you can never have too many pens. She is a graduate of Southern Nazarene University and she and her husband Reuben have three children.

Upcoming Events



THE GIFT GOT A FACELIFT!

May GIFT classes

Wednesdays: Bethany Bank 10:00am

Epworth Villas 1:00pm

Thursdays: Crossings Community Church 1:00pm

Head to the VillagesOKC calendar
or call our office to register.

SENIOR FOLLIES SUNDAY, MAY 22ND 3:00PM

Grab your ticket through VillagesOKC by calling the office or registering online. Meet at the VillagesOKC office at 2:15pm to caravan. We'll watch the Senior Follies and have dinner together afterwards.

The poster for the 2022 Oklahoma Senior Follies features a woman in a red feathered headdress on the left. The main text reads '2022 OKLAHOMA SENIOR Follies' with 'Benefiting alzheimer's association' below it. A photo of three men, including Vince Gill, is shown. To the right, the dates 'May 20', 'May 21', and '& May 22' are listed. At the bottom, it says 'Special video appearance by Oklahoma's Vince Gill!' and 'Featuring Grammy-nominated trumpeter David Hooten' and 'Crowning John "Count Gregore" Ferguson as this year's King'.

You need to know..



**Select 3 items from
your
junk drawer
that can go**

Book Donation & Shredding Party

**Wednesday May 18th
10am-noon
2932 NW 122nd St. #17
No reservations needed!**

**Bring your boxes, bags, or
trunk loads of paper to be shredded
while you wait!
Books will be donated
to Salvation Army**



SENIOR LIVING
Truth Series

Next Month

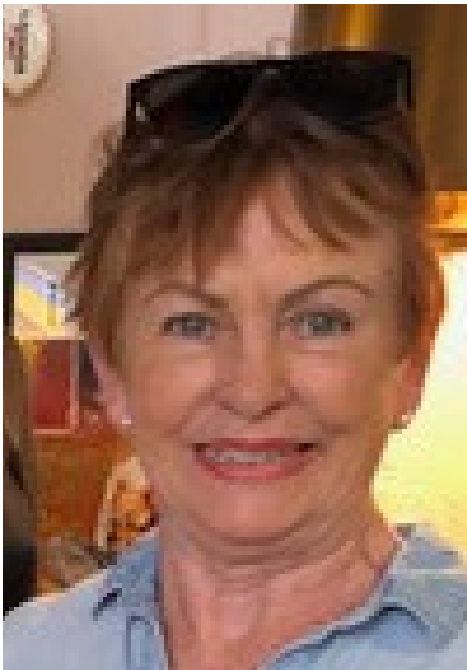


JOIN US FOR MEMBERSHIP MONDAYS
IN THE MONTH OF JUNE!

Stop by the VillagesOKC office for
coffee, a treat, and a door prize
drawing. Say hello to our staff!
We want to see you!

June 6, 13, and 20th
More details to come!

Member Spotlight



BONNIE TERRILL

Bonnie is a retired parole officer and resides in Guthrie. She was the brains and brawn behind the VillagesOKC garage sale that we held last month. She spent many hours volunteering to organize, set up, and run the sale that benefited VillagesOKC. Thank you Bonnie!

One of Bonnie's favorite VillagesOKC events to attend is the monthly seminar held by Dr. Trang in Edmond.

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.

This month's book is
"Project Hail Mary"
Join the club on
May 31st at 11am!

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

Make plans to attend this month's Women's Coffee to learn about CaptionCall phones.

Lezley Bell, the Oklahoma representative, will be presenting this hands-on program.

CaptionCall phones are optimized for individuals with hearing loss. The unit uses voice-to-text technology, to transcribe your conversations!
See you there!

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



In the Community

newVIEW
OKLAHOMA

You're Invited!

**Make plans to attend the New View
"Envision The Future" luncheon!**

Where: The Criterion

When: May 26th 12-1pm

**Why: Learn how NewView empowers
Oklahomans experiencing significant
vision impairment.**

Cost: Free!

**Come sit at the VillagesOKC tables!
Register online or call our office at
405-990-6637**

NewView Tour

**Several VillagesOKC members
enjoyed a tour of the
NewView factory.**

**If you missed it, the next tour
is Wed June 8th at 1:00pm**





May 2022

MONTHLY PLANNER

TO REGISTER FOR ALL EVENTS GO TO
[VILLAGESOKC.ORG](https://villagesokc.org)

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
02	03	04	05	06	30	01
02	03	04 GIFT Classes First Bethany Bank @10am Epworth Villa @3:30pm	05 GIFT Class Crossings Church @1pm	06 Oklahoma State Conference on Aging Crossings Church 9am	07	08
09	10 Women's Coffee Whipped Bakery @10am	11 GIFT Classes First Bethany Bank @10am Epworth Villa @3:30pm	12 GIFT Class Crossings Church @1pm Senior Living Truth Series Quail Creek Country Club @10am	13	14	15
16	17 Dr. Trang Edmond Senior Center @10am	18 GIFT Classes First Bethany Bank @10am Epworth Villa @3:30pm	19 GIFT Class Crossings Church @1pm	20	21	22 Senior Follies Northwest Classen HS @3pm
23 30	24 Bethany Library Book Club @11am 31	25 GIFT Classes First Bethany Bank @10am Epworth Villa @3:30pm	26 New View Luncheon The Criterion @11:30 GIFT Class Crossings Church @1pm	27	28	29

NOTES



CROSSINGS CHURCH
14600 Portland Ave
OKC, OK 73134

Oklahoma State Conference on Aging

REGISTER
MAY 6th
9:00 - 3:30
today
WWW.CROSSINGS.CHURCH/OSCA



LANCE ROBERTSON
Keynote Speaker
Former US Assistant
Sec for Aging

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