

# Connections



## *From the Director*



Marilyn Olson,  
Executive Director

### Why a Veteran Initiative?

Honoring those who fought for the precious freedoms we have is a key part of ensuring these freedoms continue. The United States is a federal republic whose people benefit from a strong rule-of-law tradition, robust freedoms of speech, press, religion, peaceable assembly, the right to keep and bear arms and more. George Washington stated that a strong military ensures the peace.

We salute each American who now or has served in our Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. Their courage and steadfastness are the backbone of America's influence for peace around the world. We owe the 1.3 million men and women who currently wear the uniform a debt of gratitude we can never fully repay. And to the millions of veterans who have returned to civilian life; to those missing in action and those magnificent men who 'roughed it out' in enemy prison camps; and above all, to the memory of those who gave their lives for their country.

The traditions of honor and the principles of liberty on which our nation is founded must be shared with the next generation. The older must teach the younger to honor, celebrate, and respect each veteran. It is to that end that VillagesOKC members look for ways to honor our veterans all year long. This month 1:00 pm, June 6, the celebration of D-DAY, VillagesOKC members and friends will be viewing the documentary, SKYTRAIN, premiering at Rose State College. The documentary was produced by VillagesOKC member Representative Gary Banz.

# Upcoming Events



**MEMBERSHIP**  
MONDAYS

**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!**

**3908 N. Peniel Ste 330  
Bethany**

**June 6th 9am-11am**

**June 13th 1pm-3pm**

**June 20th 1pm-3pm**

**Member Steve Childers is the  
featured artist at  
In Your Eye Gallery  
the month of June**

**Check out Steve's art  
this weekend in the Paseo  
Districts First Friday  
at the gallery!**



# You need to know..



Choose 1 greeting card  
or sentimental paper  
item (you can take a  
photo to remember it)  
and let it go

Skytrain  
the documentary  
June 6th  
Rose State College  
FNB Community Bank  
Ballroom  
1:00-2:30pm

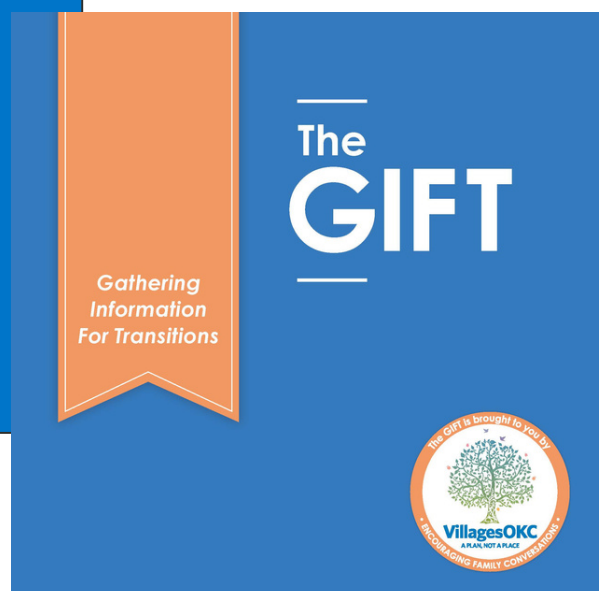


# *You need to know..*



**Save the date!  
September 9th  
You won't want to miss  
this 4 year Anniversary  
party. We promise!**

**Do you know someone  
who could benefit from  
taking The GIFT class?  
Share our upcoming GIFT  
class dates with them!  
Crisis is inevitable and we  
all need a plan.  
Check out the  
upcoming dates [here](#).**





# *In the Community*



Many members had a great time supporting our partner, NewView at their annual luncheon on May 26th

Did you know you can tour the NewView factory?

Join us Wed  
June 8th at 1pm.  
Click [here](#) to register.

Make plans to attend this month's Women's Coffee

It's Flag Day!

Wear your Red, White, and Blue, as we discuss the history of Flag Day!

Whipped Bakery

3820 N MacArthur, Warr Acres

Tuesday, June 14th

10:00am



# We need you!

Do you have great ideas and want to be more involved in VillagesOKC?

We would LOVE to have you at our quarterly planning meeting on June 23rd! Call the office at 990-6637 or email [info@villagesokc.org](mailto:info@villagesokc.org) and let us know! We will give you all the details!



## Member Spotlight



### KEN AND JEANETTE EASON

Ken and Jeanette have been members since April of 2021. Their favorite thing about VillagesOKC is Marilyn Olson's incredible energetic attitude!! They love learning about resources available to help them stay active and age well.

"Attending the G.I.F.T. sessions motivated us to take actions that will make it easier for our son to help us in a time of need."

Ken and Jeanette also just signed up to be facilitators of our GIFT class!

We love having you as members Ken and Jeanette!



# June 2022

## MONTHLY PLANNER

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

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
30	31	01	02	03	04	05
06 <a href="#">Membership Monday 9am-11am</a>	07	08 <a href="#">NewView Factory tour @1pm</a>	09 <a href="#">Senior Living Truth Series</a> <a href="#">Quail Creek Country Club @10am</a>	10	11	12
13 <a href="#">Membership Monday 1pm-3pm</a>	14 <a href="#">Women's Coffee Whipped Bakery @10am</a>	15	16	17	18	19
20 <a href="#">Membership Monday 1pm-3pm</a>	21 <a href="#">Dr. Trang Edmond Senior Center @10am</a>	22	23 3rd quarter Villages Planning meeting 9am-1pm	24	25	26
27	28 <a href="#">Bethany Library Book Club @11am</a>	29	30	31		

## NOTES

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Oklahoma Public Premiere of the documentary

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# SKYTRAIN

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THE PILOT, THE PARATROOPER, AND THE PLANE THAT BROUGHT THEM TOGETHER

**Monday, June 6, 2022 1:00p-2:30p**

Rose State College Student Union | FNB Community Bank Ballroom | 1910 Hudiburg Drive | Midwest City, OK

*open to the public with free admission*



## AWARDS

Finalist, Short Documentary Category, Will Rogers Motion Picture Festival, Claremore OK, November 2021;

Winner, Short Oklahoma Soil Documentary Category, Bare Bones Film Festival, Muskogee, OK, April 2022;

Selected feature for Branson Military Film Festival, Branson, Missouri, November 2022.

*GLM3 PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS "SKYTRAIN"*

*FEATURING RON MULLAN CINDY MIKEMAN PETER PLANK DAN PROVO BOB BLACKBURN SANDRA STEPP JOHN KEILTY HARRY ANDERSON JOHN MAKER*

*WRITTEN BY GARY W. BANZ MUSIC BY ARTLIST.IO EDITED BY NATHAN LIVINGSTON FEATURING THE VOICE TALENTS OF HARLAN MOORE*

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