

we will do even greater things...

Last month I summarised the major projects we are working on in 2024 and I would like to share more about how these improvements have been underpinned with a change in structure that separates our existing departments into 2 - those with a Clinical Care focus and those with a Business / Retirement Living focus.

Our Director of Nursing, Bridget Robinson, has become our Director of Clinical Services. To support this change, we added additional Registered Nurse hours into the Manor roster to both offset the time needed for the new role and to meet the new mandatory [RN](#) minutes of care. The Director of Clinical Services will continue overseeing the Manor operations, and the Village Nurses at Baxter will now report directly to a Registered Nurse - the Director of Clinical Services. Community Care (including Homecare, Daycentre and Home Care Packages) will continue to be managed by Kim Male, our Community Services Manager, however the Community Care Manager will now report to the Director of Clinical Services. This change reflects the shared Accreditation and Regulation requirements between Manor and Homecare and will result in more efficient quality improvement processes and assist us as we adapt the way we deliver our care and services under the new Aged Care Act that commences on July 1st this year. This change will also improve our continuity of care as the needs of Residents move from being completely independent to being supported by Community Care Services and then transition to Residential Care in homes like our Manor. The Director of Clinical Services will also oversee the clinical guidance of the Village Nurses at Rosebud Village who will continue to report to the Rosebud Manager for all other non-clinical responsibilities.

Our Finance Manager has become our Business Manager and to ensure the success of this role, we have retained additional hours in Accounts that were temporarily implemented during the implementation of our new accounting software and the retirement succession planning for one of our accounts staff. The Business Manager, who has previous experience managing a Retirement Village and a Building Business, will oversee the operations of both Villages, the Maintenance Department, and our Administration Staff. The Village Managers at Baxter and Rosebud, Sales Manager at Baxter, Maintenance Manager, and IT Manager will all report to the Business Manager. This change will also better coordinate and support the 2-year review process we began in 2023 at both Villages, comparing our policies, processes, and ways we do our work to the voluntary, best practice, Australian Retirement Village Accreditation Standards ahead of what we expect will be a new Retirement Villages Act in Victoria sometime in 2025.

As part of the reflection and review process that led to these changes, we have also recognised that the Maintenance Department structure that has had little change in over a decade, needs restructuring and better resourcing to meet our growing preventative maintenance and regulatory compliance needs. The Maintenance Department will be split into 2 teams, - "Buildings" and "Maintenance". Buildings will be overseen by the Buildings Manager (who starts work with us on the 12th of February). The Buildings Manager will be responsible for preventative Maintenance, Essential Services Inspection System checks and audits, overseeing the Refurbishment Team and major building / repair works. Steve Kouloumendas, our Maintenance Manager, will continue to oversee Mark and the reactive maintenance team and Eddie and the grounds and gardens team. This change in structure will also allow us the time and resources to implement improvements to the way we plan our work and communicate with our Residents, Staff and Managers.

In addition to the changes above, as mentioned last month, we are re-activating our Centrelink Work Obligation Approved Volunteer program. You will see our advertisements on social media and in Village Voice. I encourage you to share them with friends and family who may be interested.

As part of the changes, we are also retraining staff in several key areas. In February, our focus is on Emergency and Evacuation Training. This year, as part of our quality improvement process, we have also introduced Resident sessions that will be run by the same Company as our Staff training. 4 sessions will be held for Residents.

- Friday 16th February at 11am in Grant Centre
- Wednesday 21st of February at 11am in Parkside and repeated at 12.30pm in Clarke Centre prior to the 1:30 Resident Meeting
- Thursday 22nd February at 11am in Manning Centre
- Residents can choose to attend any or all sessions and we have asked that each session offer some advice relevant to the location of the training.

It is an exciting time to be working at the Village and I am enthusiastic and positive about what we can achieve together in 2024 and beyond.

Kim Jackson, Chief Executive Officer.



Announcements

⇒ *Welcome* ⇐

We welcome the following new Residents and wish them well in their new home.

Howard & Andrea Kerr—Unit 305

⇒ *Congratulations* ⇐

The following Residents have achieved memorable years of occupancy.

10 Years

Frances Mulholland

Valerie Berger

Raymond Berger

Joan Allen

Leslie Belot

25 Years

Reginald Dymant

30 Years

Evelyn Evans

⇒ *Transfers* ⇐

The following residents have transferred within the ILU, to the Manor, an Apartment, or to the Community.

We wish them well in their new home.

Community

Joan Pickersgill

Leslie Campbell

Manor

Mary Elks

⇒ *In Memory* ⇐

Sadly, we advise the following residents have passed away and we extend our sincere sympathy to their family and friends.

Eric Kenyon—Unit 401

John Levett—Suite 833

Marie Brookes—Suite 831



Volunteers Wanted !

Are you passionate about contributing to the community and making a positive impact? Do you like working outside? Village Baxter is a registered Charity and approved volunteer work obligation organisation with Centrelink. We are looking to expand our volunteer connections and looking for new volunteers who would prefer to meet their Centrelink payment work obligation requirements through volunteer work.

Position: Volunteer Cleaner: Outdoors

Responsibilities: As a Volunteer, you will be involved in a range of tasks to enhance the appearance and functionality of our public spaces. Your main responsibilities will include:

- Single storey Unit Gutter Cleaning: Safely clean and clear gutters to ensure proper drainage and prevent potential issues.
- Pressure Washing: Utilize pressure washing equipment to clean paths, driveways, and surfaces, enhancing the overall cleanliness and safety of our public areas.
- Bus Stop Maintenance: Perform routine cleaning and maintenance of our internal road network bus stops to create a welcoming and tidy environment for our Residents.
- Carport Cleaning: Ensure cleanliness and orderliness in carports by regularly cleaning our carports of leaves, cobwebs and litter.

Qualifications:

- Strong work ethic and a willingness to contribute to the community.
- Ability to perform physical tasks such as lifting, bending, and using maintenance equipment.
- Previous experience in maintenance or similar roles is desirable but not essential.
- All volunteers will be required to complete a police check (organised and paid by Village Baxter) and provide evidence of their Covid and annual influenza vaccination.

Benefits:

- Gain valuable hands-on experience in basic maintenance and cleaning tasks.
- Contribute to the improvement of public spaces in the community.
- Fulfill Centrelink work obligations through approved volunteer work.

How to Apply: If you are interested in this rewarding volunteer opportunity, please send your resume and a brief cover letter expressing your interest to careers@villagebaxter.com Be sure to mention any relevant experience and your availability for volunteering.

Baptist Village Baxter Ltd, trading as Village Baxter is registered with Centrelink as an approved organization for meeting work obligations through volunteer work. Volunteers will receive acknowledgment and verification of their service to support their engagement with Centrelink.

GRANT CENTRE SING ALONG GROUP



Our Grant Centre Sing Along Group, along with Rod & Janine our Chaplains, performed at Bunnings on the 21st December singing Christmas carols for the staff and customers. It is great to see an activity group from the village out in the community representing The Village Baxter. Well done.



CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT GROUP



As we begin a new year we thought of writing a brief history of the CSG and its objectives.

According to our records the Chaplaincy Support Group started way back in 1988, under a different name with the main purpose to raise funds toward the support of the Village Chaplains whose brief includes all village residents and staff as well as members of the Village Church. In the early years, the ladies sometimes held fund-raising ventures in the Arcade in Frankston. Now we hold monthly meetings in Parkside on the first Wednesday afternoon of the month.

Over the years the CSG has organised educational seminars for residents, Pleasant Sunday Afternoons and Our Kind of Music events. As requested the CSG offers refreshments to families and friends following memorial services in the Chapel. We also enjoy the opportunity to visit and welcome newcomers to our Village.

Open Days are always a highlight of our yearly activities, bringing our community together in a special way.

A wonderful addition to our fund-raising efforts occurred when The Shed Op Shop was opened in 2001. We are very grateful to residents and families who donate goods for sale at the Shed as this contributes to the support of the Chaplains.

We hope to continue on the legacy of those who have come before us.

Following our meetings we enjoy an afternoon tea. Newcomers are very welcome.

Please note our upcoming event for this month. "Our Kind of Music" on Sunday 11th at 2.30 pm in Parkside.

We are looking forward to having another hour of easy listening music and video featuring a variety of popular performances. Come and bring a friend or neighbour. Donations to the CSG. Brochures are displayed on your Community Centre Noticeboards and in the Village Voice.

The Shed Op Shop

The Shed will be open every Friday in February. If you have any goods for the Shed, please phone Maree or Bernie on 5971 4079 and they will advise you what items are acceptable and when they may be delivered.

Please do not leave anything outside the Shed where rain, wind or sun may ruin them.

Irene McGladdery
Secretary

PLEASE NOTE:

The Shed has frequently published for items NOT to be left outside the Shed due to damage from rain, sun and wind and yet it still happens.

The Shed is NOT a dumping stop for unsaleable items.

The team will be back at work on February 2nd and are willing to accept saleable items.

We thank you for your cooperation.





RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

HELLO!!! FROM ME TO YOU!!

Hard to believe it's already February. Christmas and New Year Celebrations are behind us and the fireworks are over! Now it's time to get back to the normal flow of everyday life. Any new hobbies or travel that you have planned, hop to it now, and brighten the days ahead; good things might be ready and waiting for you to pick them up.

If you happen to be a fan of the cricket, haven't we had a lot to celebrate with our great Aussie Cricketers enjoying so much success.

Hope you're enjoying the odd sunny days we've had, lovely to be able to spend some time in the garden.

Still some time off to the next Market Day, but if you've been busy "crafting" or decluttering, it's time to get in touch with Bobby Heath and book yourself a stall.

That's all from me for now. Stay well and enjoy the warmer weather.

Marlene McKenzie
President

Diary Dates for February

Saturday 10th - RA morning tea 10.00 – 11.30am, Parkside
Wednesday 14th – Tyre pumping 9.00 – 9.30am, Clarke back verandah
Thursday 15th - Sleep Corp pop-up shop 11.00am – 2.00pm, Clarke
Wednesday 21st – RA General Meeting 1.30pm, Clarke

Pete's jokes for February

My wife was standing nude, looking in the bedroom mirror. She was not happy with what she saw and said to me, "I feel horrible - I look old, fat and ugly. I really need you to pay me a compliment." I replied, "Your eyesight's damn near perfect." And then the fight started.....

My wife sat down next to me as I was flipping channels. She asked, "What's on TV?" I said "Dust." And then the fight started.....

As you get older three things happen. The first is your memory goes - and I can't remember the other two.

I'll start worrying about how OLD I am when I stop looking so damn GOOD.



A Reminder to all RESIDENTS, VISITORS, FAMILY MEMBERS, STAFF AND CONTRACTORS.

The Village has a strict speed limit of 20km/h

We would appreciate everyone respecting this; we would like to keep everyone safe!

Thank you



VEGGIE GROUP

Weather – who needs it! A few days in January have seen heavy rainfall (over 70mm – 2.80 inches - in two days) and high humidity. The weeds love it and on the bright side so did our veggies.

Dressed in our wet weather gear Wayne and I endeavoured to pick as many vegetables as we could before we got too wet; we failed dismally, ending up soaked right through.

Our packers did a great job and we hope many of you enjoy the vegetables we send up to the kiosk. We had so many beans and button squash we were able to give them to the staff in the Manor to share with residents there.

One new vegetable you may have seen in the kiosk is the TROMBONCINO, (see photo) sometimes referred to as a climbing zucchini. It grows on a vine and, if left, will grow in excess of a metre in length. In times past some were given to a past resident, Verna Henderson. She looked at them with a cheeky, naughty grin on her face but Richard, her husband, was not so sure.

I cannot let a month go by without mentioning My YAKON. They are growing beautifully but are still along way from being ready to dig up. They are in Garden Bed 20, the citrus tree end of veggie patch, if you would like to take a peek. They should be flowering in the next few weeks.

By the time you read this newsletter we hopefully will be sending up plenty of tomatoes. There are lots of green tomatoes now and some are just starting to turn.

The figs are now growing and the birds have already started to enjoy them. Hopefully the nets will discourage them so that we can share a few with you.

Also included is a photo of one of the Veggie Patch's arch enemies – the ducks. They look so cute waddling around especially when they have their ducklings in tow, but leave your seedlings or beans uncovered and the ducks are in gourmet heaven.

Should you wish to grow some veggies of your own we have beds available. Perhaps you might like to share with a neighbor (or the ducks). The beds are free and the rewards are great.

As many of you may be aware one of our number contracted the Covid virus and ended up in hospital, far from well. He is our seedling grower, planter, weeder, picker and packer and general nuisance and we miss him very much.

Get well real soon Rod.

Regards
Norm Eyers (U935)



OUR KIND OF MUSIC

Sunday February 11th

2.30 PM

In PARKSIDE LOUNGE

We are happy to be able to have another hour of easy listening music and video featuring a variety of popular performers.

Come and bring a neighbour.

Donations to the Chaplaincy Support Group
Further Information – Margaret 5971 6826

SUMMER

BBQ

Mooney's
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Get ready to fire up your taste buds and
soak up the sun at our unforgettable
summer barbeque

23 FEBRUARY 2024 | 5PM- 8 PM

Book at Mooney's Cafe before February 16th
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\$25 per person

Tea, coffee and soft drinks can be purchased at the cafe



MEN'S BRUNCH



**** We will only be catering to order****

9.30am at Parkside

\$5.00 pay on the day

ALL MEN WELCOME

**Please enter via the main entrance
at Parkside only**

Men's Brunch at Parkside at 9.30am on the
3rd Tuesday of every month.

Great morning for the men where they can enjoy a
delicious egg and bacon sandwich with coffee, tea,
and great conversation.

Please RSVP for CATERING PURPOSES your details on
the notice boards at Grant, Robyns, Clarke &
Parkside.



BICYCLE HELMETS



A reminder —please ensure you are wearing bike helmets whilst riding in the Village,
we follow road rules and regulations in the Village. Thank you!



THE VILLAGE STRUMMERS



We start to strum again on Friday January 19th
from 1.15pm to 3.15pm in the Parkside Centre.

At 3.30pm we stop for a welcome cuppa.

We recently welcomed several new Strummers but
there is

room for many more.

We'll loan you a ukelele and
get you started on the first three chords.

Come and join in the fun!

Contact **Audrey Mutton** 0480 105 701

or **Robyn Thatcher** 0412 331 011





VILLAGE BAXTER BOWLS CLUB



Much more than just a bowling club

Indoor Bowls

Good attendances continue each week with those attending enjoying their time together on the mats and having a chit chat. If you are new to the Village or just want to join in the fun, please contact Joan Reilly, or Maureen Brett, or just front up on a Monday or ask the duty hostess. Action starts from about 1.00 – 1.15pm. Afternoon tea is provided.

Social Outdoor Bowls

Bowlers, please note: - games have now started 10.30am (bring your lunch), until the end of daylight-saving time or otherwise advised.

Staff v Bowlers Event

New date for the fun Staff v Bowlers Challenge evening will be set shortly and is now planned for February. Villagers welcome to watch.

Pennant Season Update

The 2023/24 Tuesday Pennant Season latest results, Please note, our results can be viewed on the notice board in either the east entry to Clarke Centre or on the Green Room notice board.

Rd 14. A loss to Mornington Civic – one team up and two teams down..

Calendar - Upcoming Events for Members 2023/24.

Twilight Bowls

“Twilight Bowls” evenings for the balance of the season are listed below:

February 16th (correction to last month's news).

March 15th (last chance to participate this season)

Indoor Bowls

Contacts Joan Reilly or Maureen Brett.
Coaching by arrangement
Refer Centre Notice Boards, or ask our
Receptionist
Bowls - Mondays at 1.15pm in the Clarke
Centre - check notice board for details of
times and any changes.

Outdoor Bowls

Contact : The President, or Secretary
Coaching: By appointment.
Refer Centre Notice Boards
Social Bowls: Saturdays & Tuesdays -
check
notice board for details of times
and any changes.

Pizza Night. 2024 - 1st February – \$10.00

Much more than just a Bowling Club!



Villagers Ageing Gracefully



Come and join in the fun with Noriko on Monday mornings at the Clarke Centre or just check out whether it's for you. All are welcome. Noriko is a fun-loving instructor who encourages us to improve our bodily movement while having a laugh at the same time. Exercises are based on everyday movements like walking and sitting and strengthening our core which will help reduce the risk of falls.

She leads us in:-

- ◆ A light warm up before the so called serious workout.
- ◆ Breathing exercises.
- ◆ Body balance exercises
- ◆ Light cardio activities
- ◆ Low level muscle stretching
- ◆ Low level muscle and core strengthening.
- ◆ We finish with a warm down.
- ◆ All this is followed with a chat over a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits.

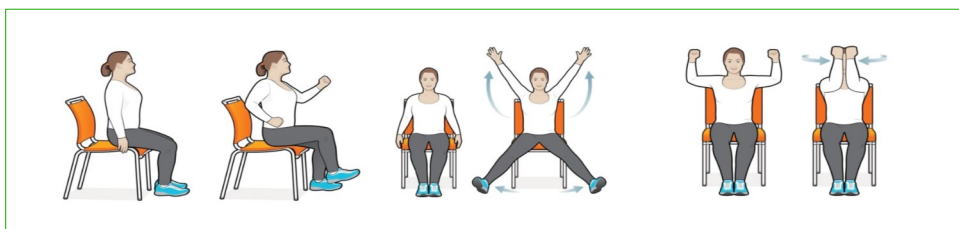
Note: We do not get down on the floor

Where: We meet at the Clarke Centre Hall.

When: **Mondays at 10.45am for approximately 45 minutes.**

Cost: Cost is \$5.00 per person, per session

(on occasion we also ask for \$1.00 to cover tea / coffee / milk & sugar costs).





SOCIAL GROUP



Social Club February 2024 Dates

Village café Thursday 8th and 22th

Roundabout café Wednesday 16th and 28th

I have had a friend staying for the last couple of weeks, until his unit in the Village is ready. They say that visitors give you pleasure in either arriving or leaving, or if you are very lucky, both. I'll let you know next week.

Anyway, while informing him of the behaviour expected in the Village, I was reminded of a story that was told to me, by a very reliable, long-standing resident. It was that I would be inundated by donations of casserole and food by my new neighbours to welcome me to the Village. I can report that as far as I am concerned, it was an urban myth because after four and a half years none have appeared, or if they have, somebody has stolen them, but now knowing my neighbours that is not something that would happen, but then again....

This friend of mine is President of the Royal Doulton Club in Melbourne, so if anyone is interested contact me and I will pass on your interest (had to include this against my better judgement, but sometimes you have to do things for friends, especially when they threaten you with pain and discomfort.).

Bob Peachey (266) 0490 552 847 or 5971 5291

SLEEP CORP® Promotion.



Ashley from Sleepcorp®
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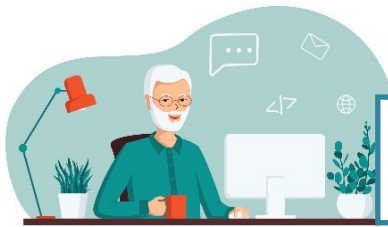
Venue: Clarke Centre Hall

Day: Thursday 15 February

Time: 11.00am - 2.00pm

FLOWERS





VB COMPUTER CLUB



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A fun, friendly environment for residents new to Tablets, Smartphones & Computers, or for those just wishing to update their knowledge or solve a problem.

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For Windows or Android help: call Terry on 5971 4473

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Call for more details or email: cclinic3@gmail.com



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Thursday 28TH MARCH 2024

5pm to 8pm

\$25per person

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Tea, coffee and soft drinks can be purchased at the cafe



Sing for Enjoyment

If you like singing and making new friends then come along.

WHERE: Grant Centre Lounge

WHEN: Every 2nd, 4th & 5th Thursday of the month

TIME: 11.00am – 12.00pm

RAT TESTS

Our donated supplies of Covid tests has now been depleted.

The Village can no longer supply tests free for residents.

Please purchase RAT tests from you local chemist if required.



**COME AND ENJOY
A GAME OF SNOOKER**
All are Welcome

Where: Robinsons Centre

When: Every Thursday

Time: 2pm - 4pm

**Come and have a fun time -
let us teach you how
to play a game of snooker**



BOOK GROUP



Book Group 2023

Enjoy reading ? Like sharing your thoughts ?

Small group meeting monthly & a new book each time.

You choose from a wide book selection.

4th Wednesday of the month @ 3pm to 4.30pm in Parkside

Contact Neil or Sandra Graham 5972 8941

Have something that you would like to share? Want to thank someone?
Have any feedback?

Please send your submissions, photos, and feedback to
newsletter@villagebaxter.com

or you can also drop off a note to your Community Centre Receptionist.

CLARKE CENTRE KIOSK

The Kiosk is open Monday to Friday

9.30am – 11.30am

Selling a variety of goods including:-

*Eggs, Milk, Bread, Frozen and Dairy items
and fresh seasonal fruit and vegetables supplied by the Village Veggie Gardens.*

Just a reminder we are looking for Volunteers either 2 hours a week, fortnight or month.

Please call **June Austin 5971 1780** or **Lesley McMillan 5971 6865** for more details.



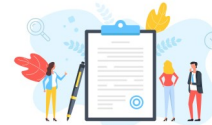
THINGS TO PLANT IN FEBRUARY

Amaranth, Beetroot, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Carrot, Chives, Coriander, Endive, Fennel, Kohl Rabi, Leek, Lettuce, Mustard Greens, Okra, Onion, Oregano, Parsley, Parsnip, Radish, Rhubarb (crowns), Rocket, Salsify, Shallot, Silverbeet, Swede, Turnip,

List taken from: <https://www.yummygardensmelbourne.com/summer-vegetable-garden.html>



BY-LAWS OF THE MONTH



If you'd like to brush up on your Village By-Laws, they can be found on our Website at the link below

<https://www.villagebaxter.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Bylaws-2018.pdf>

by scanning the QR code, or in your copy of your Lease Agreement.



19 — COSTS OF RECTIFYING BREACH

The Resident shall pay any costs, charges and expenses which BVB may reasonably incur or expend in consequence of any default by the Resident in the performance or observance of any By-Law herein contained.

20 — REMOVAL OF BELONGINGS

On the death of a Resident BVB may, after a seven day period (for Hostel Residents) and after a fourteen day period for (Independent Living Unit Residents), enter the Premises to remove therefrom to place in storage any or all personal belongs of the Resident at the cost of the estate. BVB may exercise a similar right if a Resident transfers to any other section of the Village or to any external institution and appears reasonably to BVB to be unlikely to retain to occupancy of the Premises.

If it is not reasonably practicable for BVB to obtain either the express permission of the Resident or of his notified next of kin or executor BVB shall require no further or other permission than is expressed herein.



FROM THE CHAPLAINS

Leaders are not born, they chose to lead.

May I offer you some inspirational quotes from some very famous leaders....

Dwight D. Eisenhower said:

“Leadership is the art of getting someone else to do something you want done because he wants to do it”.

American Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Colin Powell said:

“Leadership is solving problems. The day soldiers stop bringing you their problems is the day you have stopped leading them. They have either lost confidence that you can help or concluded you do not care. Either case is a failure of leadership”.

James Cash Penney, that is JC Penny from the famous American department stores said:

“Honor bespeaks worth. Confidence begets trust. Service brings satisfaction. Cooperation proves the quality of leadership”.

I like Paul Hawken’s take on it:

“Good management is the art of making problems so interesting and their solutions so constructive that everyone wants to get to work and deal with them”.

And Casey Stengel obviously had some challenges with his staff! He said:

“The key to being a good manager is keeping the people who hate me away from those who are still undecided”.

The last quote is from one of my favorite leaders, Queen Elizabeth II.

“I know of no single formula for success. But over the years I have observed that some attributes of leadership are universal and are often about finding ways of encouraging people to combine their efforts, their talents, their insights, their enthusiasm and their inspiration to work together.”

Queen Elizabeth saw how leaders can bring out the best or the worst in people.

She handed out OBEs to people who helped lead in extraordinary ways, but she also had to receive despots and dictators who were killing their own people.

But all the people in the quotes above knew the importance of leadership.

We have many leaders in the Village, who selflessly help to run various groups, clubs, committees and the church. Our beloved CEO, Kim, Village Manager, Dawn, and the Manor Director, Bridget, who work tirelessly to make the Village such a wonderful place to be. There are many people who volunteer to help others find their way in the Village and connect with each other, and the various groups they may need.

We are grateful for people willing to lead aren’t we?

Not all of us can do what they do.

From the Chaplains cont.....

Leadership means that there is someone following; others who need someone to inspire them, motivate them, encourage and enable them.

Paul the Apostle talks about this in 1 Corinthians 12; he reminds us that we can't all be the eyes, or the mouth, or the hands, but that the body needs all its parts to function. The parts that we are modest with, the parts that are hidden, and the parts that we esteem even though we don't see them.

Some people are the helpers, the listeners, the encouragers, the facilitators, and the friends you just love because they make you smile!

Our Village is like a body, and I am grateful for all the different people that live in it, and contribute to our community in their own way.

We need each other, and each other's gifts and abilities, as we all see things differently, help each other differently, and enable each other to be our best!

If you can lead, I encourage you to help lead in some way this year.

But if all you can do is encourage someone else who is leading, then do that, and help them to know that we appreciate what they do to make this Village a better place.

To support and encourage all the staff who faithfully serve us, and make this Village a great place to live.

As Kim said in the last VV, 'together, we can make this year one of growth, connection, and special moments'

And God too, will bless our willingness to love and serve each other.

Rod Wilson
Chaplain
chaplains@villagebaxter.com



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Wednesday 20th March



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Monday 19 February 2024

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DIARY DATES – February 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 7am Veggie Group (VS) 9am - 3pm Pottery (DCA) 11am - 5pm Mahjong (P) 1pm – 5pm Canasta (M) 2 - 4pm Snooker (R) 2 - 4.30pm Darts (R)	2 1.15pm - 3.45pm Village Strummers (P) 2pm - 3.30pm Finding Our Feet (C) 2pm - 4pm The Shed	3 9am –12noon Croquet (M) 10.30am – 6pm VB Outdoor Social Bowls (C)
4 10am - Church Service (CH) 2pm – 4pm Sing Along with Robyn (C)	5 7am – Veggie Group (VS) 9am - 4pm Craft (CC) 10.45am – 11.45am Exercises with Noriko (C) 1pm – 3pm Indoor Bowls (C) 1pm - 4pm Book Club (P) 2pm - 5pm Cards-Continental Rummy “May I” (P) 2pm - 4.30pm Croquet (M) 5pm C.I.E.O. Club (C)	6 9am - 3pm Art (DCA) 12.30pm – 6pm VB Outdoor Social Bowls (C)	7 10.15am Line Dancing (C) 12.45pm Mystery Bus Tour (C) and (M) 10am – 11.am Fresh & Frozen Fish (Clarke Centre Carpark) 2pm – 4pm CSG (P)	8 7am Veggie Group (VS) 9am - 3pm Pottery (DCA) 11am - 3pm Crafty Critters (P) 1pm – 5pm Canasta (M) 2 - 4pm Snooker (R) 2 - 4.30pm Darts (R)	9 12noon – 1pm Chair Yoga (C) 1.15 - 3.45pm Village Strummers (P) 2pm - 3.30pm Finding Our Feet (C) 2pm - 4pm The Shed	10 9am –12noon Croquet (M) 10.30am – 6pm VB Outdoor Social Bowls (C) 10am - 11.30am RA Morning Tea (P)
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Unless otherwise advised Administration Hours 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday

<u>Church Services</u>	
SUN – Village Church (includes Communion 1 st Sunday each month)	10am – Chapel (non-denominational)
Wed – Devotions	9.30am - Clarke Centre
3 rd Thurs – Uniting Church – Communion	2:30pm - Parkside

Health @ Welfare @ Clarke Centre

Tues – PFGP-Doctor Nita Sharma – 9781 3300
Thurs – PFGP-Doctor Kalan – 9781 3300
Fri -Podiatry – Step Ahead -Tara Dullard – 9708 8626
Please call Clinics to make an appointment

To place something in the Diary Dates or Classifieds contact the Village Coordinator at 5971 6364 or at villagecoordinator@villagebaxter.com

Useful Contact Details:

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Contact Grant Centre – 5971 6364
Appointment Times – 10.30am – 1.30pm

Doctor Nita Sharma – 9781 3300 (Wed)
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LOCATION KEY – (C) Clarke Centre (CC) Clarke Craft Room (CG) Clarke Green Room (CM) Clarke Meeting Room (DCA) Art Room Beside Day Centre (CH) Chapel Centre (G) Grant Centre (M) Manning Centre (P) Parkside Centre (PR) Parkside Meeting Room (R) Robinson Centre (RC) Robinson Craft Room

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