

# Grace Notes



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## To My Father by Alice

My Father, Clifford Wallace, was born in a farm house in Adams County on September 2, 1898. His parents were Bertha Humphrey Wallace and William Wallace. Their farm was located on Horner Road just one mile north of Serpent Mound Park. He grew up with loving parents, two sisters and four brothers.

As a little boy, Clifford showed an interest in nature. He loved the pretty monarch butterflies as they fluttered around him and his dog, Shep, as they ran around the big farm's flowered covered fields.

When a human is happy, time goes fast. Soon Clifford was attending a one room school just a short walk north from the Wallace Farm. The teacher was a cousin and several of the other students were also relatives of the family.

When Clifford graduated from eighth grade, the gift that he received from his father was a black and white pony named Joy.

Clifford was at his happiest when riding Joy all over the farm!

But then the news of war came from Germany. Two of Clifford's brothers left to fight in the war. One was sent to France and the other was in a machine gun unit here in the U.S.A.



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### Monthly Events

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| <u>JUNE 1</u>  | <u>FLUTE ENSEMBLE "TRILL SEEKERS"</u>        | <u>2:30 P.M.</u>  |
| <u>JUNE 1</u>  | <u>COTTAGE CARRY IN &amp; ENTERTAINMENT</u>  | <u>5:30 P.M.</u>  |
| <u>JUNE 6</u>  | <u>CHENANIAH GOSPEL HOUR—COM. RM</u>         | <u>2:30 P.M.</u>  |
| <u>JUNE 8</u>  | <u>DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP/LUNCH</u>          | <u>1:00 P.M.</u>  |
| <u>JUNE 9</u>  | <u>HISTORY, MYSTERY, MAYHEM &amp; MURDER</u> | <u>2:30 P.M.</u>  |
| <u>JUNE 14</u> | <u>FLAG DAY PROGRAM —FRONT PORCH</u>         | <u>10:30 A.M.</u> |
| <u>JUNE 15</u> | <u>DAYTON DRAGON GAME</u>                    | <u>5:30 P.M.</u>  |
| <u>JUNE 16</u> | <u>MEN'S PICNIC LUNCH</u>                    | <u>12:00 P.M.</u> |
| <u>JUNE 19</u> | <u>ICE CREAM SOCIAL /ENTERTAINMENT</u>       | <u>6:30 P.M.</u>  |
| <u>JUNE 30</u> | <u>TOUR OF BICYCLE MUSEUM</u>                | <u>9:00 A.M.</u>  |

### Weekly Events

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| Monday    | 9:00 A.M. Community Grocery Shopping<br>4:00 P.M. Wii Bowling Practice   |
| Tuesday   | 10:00 A.M. Hymn Sing & Out to Lunch<br>(Blood Pressure Checks with Theo) |
| Wednesday | 4:00 P.M. Wii Bowling Practice   |
| Friday    | 9:30 A.M. Move it with Marilyn!<br>4:00 P.M. Wii Bowling Practice        |
| Sunday    | 2:30 P.M. Chapel—Activity Room   |

On Thursday, June 1st, we are having a special flute ensemble perform for us in the Community Room. Join us @ 2:30 P.M. for this very enjoyable and different entertainment!



Friday, June 9th, Angie Hoschouer will return to us again. This presentation will keep you on the edge of your seat as tales of Dayton's own bank robbers, counterfeiters and murderers are told! This program will be in the community room from 2:30—3:30 P.M.

Dayton Dragon's Game—The bus will leave for the game @ 5:30 P.M. on June 15th. Only those who signed up previously will be going.

**PLAY BALL!!**



In honor of Father's Day, we will host a men's luncheon @ noon on June 16th. Please call the office to RSVP @ 836-4011. We will eat outside, in our shelter, if weather permits. You do not need to bring anything! Just come and enjoy some good food and time of fellowship! If it rains we will meet in the Community Room!

Our annual ice cream social is scheduled for Monday, June 19th. We will be serving ice cream @ 6:30 P.M. in the community room, and entertainment will follow @ 7:00. Tom Benner will provide our special music for this evening.



Our June outing takes us on a tour of the Bicycle Museum in New Bremen. The bus leaves @ 9:00 A.M. There is a \$2.00 donation for the museum. **THERE ARE STEPS AT THE MUSEUM BUT DON'T WORRY! THERE IS A GREAT VIDEO THAT YOU CAN WATCH INSTEAD, THAT WILL TAKE YOU THROUGH THE MUSEUM!** After the tour, we will ride to Minster to eat at the Wooden Spoon Inn. They are best known for their chicken and fish dinners! ~Sign up by calling the office on June 1st.~



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| JUNE 3  | MILLIE   |
| JUNE 8  | BUD      |
| JUNE 8  | JIM      |
| JUNE 11 | HELEN    |
| JUNE 13 | MARGARET |
| JUNE 14 | HAROLD   |
| JUNE 16 | LEONORE  |
| JUNE 22 | MIKE     |
| JUNE 26 | DEO      |

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

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| JUNE 7  | BILL & JOANN  |
| JUNE 8  | DAVE & GLORIA |
| JUNE 23 | RAY & BARBARA |



Over the years, I have worked for, toured or visited with many people who have lived in a variety of different retirement settings. Without exception, I have found and have been told by a number of people, that there is a definite difference between those organizations that are “Not-For-Profit” and those that are more profit oriented. I could not begin to count the number of people who have told me how much they appreciate the care their family member has received at Grace Brethren Village and other like-minded church affiliated Not-For-Profit service organizations.

Not-For-Profit aging services providers like Grace Brethren Village are not different or unique by coincidence. In fact, many (if not all) of these organizations were founded and are managed for the sole purpose to ensure that older adults that live in their communities will continue to receive the high quality of care that can be trusted. Leading Age of Ohio (formerly The Association of Ohio Philanthropic Homes, Housing and Services for the Aging -AOPHA) is a trade association for Not-For-Profit senior service organization that Grace Brethren Village is a member of. Leading Age of Ohio (LAO) recently published a pamphlet to help the public to better understand what the “Not-For-Profit Difference” is.

LAO broke it down into the follow categories:

**MISSION:** Not-For-Profit providers meet the needs of older adults because their mission and focus is to serve others as opposed to only serving a hand full of investors or shareholders. Because of this, Not-For-Profits are more committed to their missions.

**GOVERNANCE:** Community-based volunteers, not corporate investors, govern Not-For-Profit organizations. Because these volunteer leaders are committed to ensuring that the organization remains true to its’ mission, they are more responsive and effective stewards of its resources.

**QUALITY:** As many of you are aware; GBV just had its 5 Deficiency Free Survey in the last 7 years. Even though there is no other facility that we are aware of that can make this claim, research has consistently found that Not-For-Profit organizations have better Ohio Department of Health Surveys, better Resident Satisfaction Surveys & greater Family Satisfaction Surveys (GBV #1 in Montgomery County the last two years), and are shown to provide a better

quality of care. This can be attributed to more of the Not-For-Profit’s resources being used to provide more hands-on care (national staffing levels in Not-For-Profit’s are higher then in For-Profits), more experienced staff (Not-For-Profit’s has a lower employee turnover rate) and resources spent on the residents and their living environment (the definition of a Not-For-Profit is to return any and all “profit” back into the business as opposed to a few investor’s pockets).

**RESOURCES:** Not-For-Profit’s reinvest all their resources back into the organization so that they can fulfill their mission. Resources are not used to benefit stockholders or increase the company value. Their resources are spent to increase staffing, improve facilities, enhance services and most importantly, ensure consumer and staff satisfactions (i.e. improved wages and benefits for employees).

**SERVICES:** Not-For-Profit’s tailor their housing, healthcare and community services to meet individual needs and goals, not the profit goals of various owners and stockholders. It is this difference that enables Not-For-Profits to provide quality of care and services that people can trust.

As the above states under ‘Resources’ (...reinvest all their resources back into the organization...), GBV has various projects that you will see happening in our community in the coming weeks depending on the weather.

- 5 Cottages (201-204, 205-206, 207-208, 211-212, and 213-214) will have their roofs replaced. Once I have specific dates that these roofs will be worked on, I will forward that information on to everyone living in these cottages.
- 2 Cabana/Sunroom conversions (Cottage 705 & 709)
- Road and parking lot repair and re-Sealing for the far North Road leading to Nursing Home’s staff parking and parking lot in front of the Nursing Center. As with the roofs: as soon as I have a specific date, I will inform everyone ASAP.
- New Front Sign.
- More dead trees going down.
- Additional landscaping summer help to focus on our grounds

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Another BIG project that we are looking at is to improve on our current Medical Alert System (Main Street Messenger-MSM). This has been a very good system for us over the years but unfortunately, MSM is going out of business. Rest assured that ALL of our current systems will continue to be in operation AND will be monitored just like it is now for the near future (MSM going out of business has ZERO effect on your current system).

What MSM going out of business means to GBV is that we will no longer be able to get replacement phones, pendants, parts, etc., once they are out of business. Because of this, we are in the process of looking at alternative Medical Alert Systems. I am only mentioning this at this very early stage (looking at different Alert System Vendors now), because it goes with the theme of this 'Mike's Moments' ("... focus is to serve others as opposed to only serving a hand full of investors or shareholders.") AND to let everyone know that the above bullet points of things we will be doing this summer is not an all-inclusive list.

Another immediate change that you will see in the Community very soon:

Because many of the cottages are filling up (especially along the 400 Street), we have been experiencing a problem with cars parking on both sides of the street. When 2 cars/trucks are parked on both sides of the street, it makes it very difficult to nearly impossible for other vehicles to pass through. This can be especially dangerous if an ambulance or fire truck cannot get to where they are needed. Because of this, GBV has established a policy that parking on the street will only be permitted on one side of the street. We have to purchase signs to indicate this and as soon as we have them installed, this policy will be in full effect. In the meantime, if you or a visitor has to park on the street please only park on the RIGHT side of every street. It would be preferable that we had no parking on the street altogether but this is just not realistic. Please remember to use the extra parking lots throughout the community (if we need more, we can look where those might be placed in the future), or if someone is going to be here for an extended amount of time; everyone is welcome to park in the Nursing Center or Community Center parking lots.

*~Mike*

## HOLY HUMOR

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you know what the Bible means?"

The son replied, "I do know!"

"Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?"

"That's easy, Daddy. . . " the young boy replied excitedly, "It's for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth.'"

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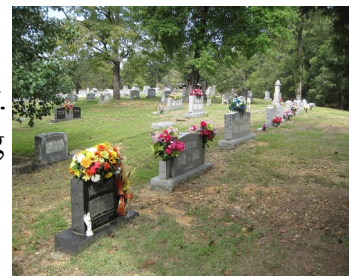
While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign . . . "Energy efficient vehicle; runs on oats and grass. Caution. . . Do not step in the exhaust."



When Clifford was 18 years old, his letter came to report to the court house. He passed his physical and was on his way to an army camp in Georgia. At that time, there was a French flu outbreak in the U. S. and Clifford was a victim of that flu. It injured his heart, so he was given a disabled discharge and sent home with a heart that would never beat normally again.

So now he was back on the farm with a good wife and a school age daughter. The farm was a nature paradise of wild flowers, butterflies and animals. He taught his little girl to love nature's boundless beauty. Years rolled by and the girl is now a ninety five year old lady, standing in a small Adams County cemetery on Father's Day. She lays a wreath, she says a little prayer, "Thank you, Lord, for my gentle teaching Father".

~Happy Father's Day~ ~Alice



### Take the Floor

One day, my 4 year old grandson, Maverick, was playing on the floor and asked me to come sit and play with him. I told him to give me a minute because I had something on my mind and was thinking. He said, "Well, Nana, just bring your thoughts to the floor with me and play!"

~Carolyn Willis, submitted by Alice

For those who need an update on recent cottage move-ins:  
(I might be repeating some that you are already aware of)

Charles has very recently moved into #. His phone # is .

Fritz & Leonore have moved into #. Their phone # is

Nancy has moved into #. Her phone number is .

Judy has moved into # . Her phone number is .

Ketsel has transferred from cottage # into cottage #. His phone number will remain the same., however, as of this publication his phone has not transferred yet.

~If you need an updated cottage directory, just ask us at the office~

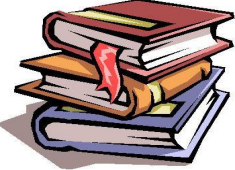


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**MONTHLY REMINDER**  
**TEST YOUR EMERGENCY PHONE.  
PRESS BUTTON ON PENDANT THE  
SAME DAY EACH MONTH, SUCH  
AS YOUR  
BIRTHDAY DATE**

**MONDAY VAN SERVICES**  
**MONDAY MORNINGS 10:00 A.M. GBV VAN TAKES  
COTTAGE RESIDENTS TO GROCERY  
AND OTHER ERRANDS  
CALL JOHN  
TO LEAVE A MESSAGE IF YOU REQUIRE  
TRANSPORTATION ON MONDAYS  
Please call him on Friday, prior to the Monday**

**GBV's Hooked on  
Books Club**



**Don't forget that every Tuesday between 10-4 is our open Book Club in the Community Room.**

**You may bring a book to donate and take a book to read!**

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**"The aging process would sure slow down if it had to work its way through Congress."**

**Just a reminder**

**Joann has provided forms at the Business Office called Cottage Resident Profile forms. If you would like to participate in this profile, just pick up a form at the business office. When completed, just drop it by the office OR you can just give Joann a call @ and she will pick it up. Its interesting to learn more about our neighbors. Where they come from and what they enjoy!**

**Diabetes Support Group**

**This support group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for June 8th @ 1:00 P.M. in the West Community Room. Then we will go out to lunch!**

**Any questions about the group?  
Call Jim**

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