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*This message is going to associates, residents and family members on our community distribution list.*

## In This Month's Newsletter ...

We have plenty to share in this month's community newsletter. Here's what we've got: A mid-spring message from Executive Director Jane Gibson about that shift toward a "familiar" feeling, a successful pen pal program ... and more. Happy reading!

## A Message from the Executive Director

April 30, 2021

Dear Residents, Family Members & Associates,

As I pull into our community each morning, there's that familiar feeling of spring. The grass is now fully green, topped with morning dew. The flowers are blooming on schedule and I often see our maintenance team and landscape partners tending to our grounds spanning 45 acres. I usually also see several residents out and about getting their steps in as they start their day with a little exercise.

The "familiar" feel about all this is reassuring.

Last spring, it was all about the unfamiliar. But that's no longer the case. We have arrived together at this turn of the calendar – a shift toward the familiar, albeit slowly, but surely.

The late actor Robin Williams once said, "Spring is nature's way of saying, 'Let's party!'"

While we may not be at the full-blown party stage here at Springhill, we're getting closer with each new flower coming to life.

Like the deep and ever-growing roots below the soil, our partnership has strengthened over the past year. Thank you.

May is a beautiful month and I hope you're able to enjoy all there is about it, from Mother's Day to Memorial Day and all that's in between.

Sincerely,

**Jane Gibson**  
Executive Director



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## Updates and Reminders

*Please note that these updates and reminders, as well as the latest vaccine and COVID-19 safety updates, are also included on our community operations site, [Asbury.org/family-friends](http://Asbury.org/family-friends).*

- **If you need of physical, occupational, or speech therapy services, Springhill Therapy Services is open!** To schedule an appointment with our in-house team of therapy experts, please call Tony Whatmore, Director of Therapy Services, at (814) 860-7117.
- **Asbury Home Services at Springhill:** Asbury Home Services is on campus and ready to assist, providing a [wide range of support services](#). Contact Cheryl Briody at (814) 860-7424, [cbriody@asbury.org](mailto:cbriody@asbury.org), or online today. We look forward to serving you!
- **Quick reminders:**
  - **We are so appreciative of the messages of thanks we receive.** If you'd like to share a note of thanks, please [click here to launch a form](#) where you can type in your note of appreciation. We will take your submissions and find creative ways to share them with associates. Thank you!
  - **Know a family member who should be receiving our community updates?** Please direct them to this webpage, [asbury.org/family-covid-email-sign-up](http://asbury.org/family-covid-email-sign-up), to sign up to join our family distribution list!
  - **Looking to update your wardrobe?** Here's a way you can show off your community -- with Springhill gear! Check out the [Asbury Apparel online store!](#)

## A Glimpse Into a Pen Pal Program

Springhill residents have been enjoying correspondence with students from McDowell High School since February of this year. Check out this video to hear their thoughts on the program and what they have learned about a younger generation.

## Over \$2,400 Raised for Local Food Bank by Resident Council



Hat's off to the Resident Council for starting a fundraising effort here at Springhill to raise funds for the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania. They raised an outstanding \$2,451 for the food bank. Resident Walter Harf was given a Certificate of Appreciation for spearheading the campaign. Thank you to everyone who donated to this great cause!

**Truffles for Mother's Day?**

A promotional flyer for Stefanelli's Chocolate Sale. The background is a vibrant image of pink cherry blossoms. A large blue banner on the left contains the text: "MOTHER'S DAY 2021", "Stefanelli's CHOCOLATE SALE", "ASBURY AND SODEXO WOULD LIKE TO OFFER YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEND A SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY GIFT!", and "MOTHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY, MAY 9TH!". In the bottom right corner, there is a small inset image of a box of "Erie's Own Stefanel Candies" containing several round chocolate truffles.

MOTHER'S DAY 2021

Stefanelli's  
CHOCOLATE SALE

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Erie's Own Stefanel  
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Asbury and Sodexo would like to offer you the opportunity to send your Springhill family member a special Mother's Day gift -- chocolate truffles! [Please view the flyer here for details](#). To place an order, please call our Dining team at 814-860-7005. Deadline for orders is Tuesday, May 4th.

## Every Day is Earth Day

Did you know that through our efforts to practice sustainability across the Asbury organization, we have saved 29.1 million gallons of water over the past six years? Check out this graphic for more highlights that demonstrate our commitment to conserving the Earth's resources each and every day. Here at Springhill, we are proud of our Adopt-a-Highway program where associates volunteer to go out and pick up trash along a local roadside to keep our greater Erie area trash-free (see *the latest example of this in the update below!*).

# Happy *Earth Day* from Asbury



In the past 6 years of our energy management partnership with Sodexo, we have...

REDUCED

22 %

electric use

LOWERED

27 %

natural gas use

REDUCED

30 %

carbon emissions

SAVED

29.1 MIL

gallons of water

## THAT IS LIKE...



Saving the amount of water that flows over Niagara Falls in 38 sec.



Saving the amount of carbon emissions sequestered by 12,706 acres of U.S. forests in one year.



Running 2.2 wind turbines in place of fossil fuels for one year

Taking 2,255 cars off of our roads for one year



Saving 1,166,985 gallons of gasoline



Saving enough energy to fuel 1,249 homes for one year



**A Special Clean-Up Crew!**



A few times a year, we are in charge of cleaning a stretch of roadway near the community – and earlier this month, a group of associates took to the asphalt, with gloves on and trash bags in hand to clean up! It's hard and messy work, but so rewarding to keep the greater Erie, Pa., community looking good and to help the environment. Thank you to Springhill associates Kristen Lupole, Cindy Scalise, Brian Emerick, Nicole Emerick, Bre Klens and Lou DePalma who volunteered their time and energy! The group collected 15 bags of trash, a tire, and a rake!

## Now Live: CareGrove, the New Online Payment Portal

Here at Springhill, we've been consistent over the past few years to really look to leverage technology to enhance the resident experience. In line with this approach, we now have a new feature that may save you time each month and add a little convenience: We have a new online bill payment process where payments can be made with a credit card or through other automated methods. The payment portal is located here: [asbury.caregrove.com](https://asbury.caregrove.com).

**Please click to learn more on the following links:**

- [Instructions for how to make a payment](#)

- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)