



December 2019

An Independent Living Community

Annual Update

A Letter From Our Whitlock Board President

March of 2020 my final term will come to a close. As we wrap up this year, let's look back on OUR incredible journey.

Six years ago, The Whitlock's future looked bleak -- there were many empty apartments, it was financially strapped, feeling the effects of a deteriorating infrastructure, practically unknown by our community and recuperating from an embezzlement. The Whitlock needed a transformation. God was needed. Time and time again, throughout our journey His presence was felt.

The Whitlock took a leap of faith, welcomed and opened our doors to the community. We asked questions to our residents, churches, community members, staff, local businesses and then tailored our decisions to respond to their input.

Innovation and change often come with a backlash. Some changes made members scared, uncomfortable and angry. Some left. The board saw a 90% change in members. Faithfully, we forged ahead keeping the focus on what was best for the residents and the community of The Whitlock. Our board members work hard, offer ideas, listen and gracefully respond.

The wonderful leadership of the committees produced the newsletters monthly, developed fun-packed activities, teamed with local organizations for the Easter Egg Hunt, and the resident Christmas gift exchange and involved the residents in many other social activities.

Fast forward six years later, we are extremely grateful for all that has transpired. The Whitlock is stronger than ever. We have had an upsurge of hundreds of volunteers who contribute time, treasure, ideas and most of all share their love for our residents.

This was obvious last February, on the coldest day of the year, many of the HVAC systems went out. In a very short time the community responded and provided temporary space heaters to residents. A true testament to the relationship that has blossomed.



We have an incredible staff who daily go above and beyond to improve the lives of those who call The Whitlock home. They have been able to give back to the community by preparing food for local efforts. The board gives scholarships to student

volunteers, and the common areas are regularly used by many organizations.

The Whitlock now has a waiting list, finances are secure, there have been numerous infrastructure upgrades, including the roof, the heating and cooling system, the parking lot, added walking paths, the remodel of the common areas, etc.

The Whitlock changes lives, builds bridges, provides peace, supplies a positive energy, and most of all, The Whitlock is love.

It is obvious that the Lord has blessed The Whitlock.

Trevor Mikel
President
The Whitlock Board of Directors

Christmas Spirit Alive at The Whitlock

The Whitlock residents are already in the Christmas spirit! They shared some of their favorite parts of the holiday.

“Taking my family out for Christmas dinner!”
- Shirley C.



“Getting together with loved ones.” - Mary H.

“Christmas dinner.” -Mary Z.



“Seeing my kids.”
- Carol C.



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What's Happening at the Whitlock

Trick-o-Treat at The Whitlock



Balloon Artist Visit



Back The Blue Paw Event

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Event

A Merry Whitlock Christmas!

Join Santa and Mrs. Claus, along with their North Pole friends at the Whitlock

Saturday, December 14, from 2-6 pm @
515 S Whitlock Street
Bremen, IN. 46506

Get your picture taken with Santa and his friends, read stories with our Whitlock friends, and Santa's special helpers from Bremen Public Library Children's Department

\$5 per family!

Enjoy Hot Chocolate from the Mean Bean and Cookies from the church ladies



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Happy Birthday Mary Lou Ervin! 10:30 Exercise 2:00 Trivia 6:00 BINGO	3 Happy Birthday Phyllis Heyde! 2:00 Devotions	4 2:00 Games	5 11:15 Blood Pressure Check 10:30 Exercise	6 10:30 Exercise	7 3-5:00 Carolers
8	9 10:30 Exercise 2:00 Trivia 6:00 BINGO	10 2:00 Devotions	11 2:00 Games 7:00 Grace Fellowship Church	12 10:30 Exercise 6:30 Carolers	13 10:30 Exercise	14 2-6:00 Back the Blue Paw Event
15	16 10:30 Exercise 2:00 Trivia 6:00 BINGO	17 2:00 Devotions 6:00 Borkholder Carolers	18 2:00 Games	19 Happy Birthday Glenn Kuhn! 12:00 Resident Christmas Party 10:30 Exercise	20 9:15/12:15 COB Preschool Visit 10:30 Exercise	21
22	23 10:30 Exercise 2:00 Trivia 6:00 BINGO	24 2:00 Devotions	25 Christmas Day Happy Birthday Chuck Fox! 2:00 Games	26 10:30 Exercise	27 10:30 Exercise	28
29	30 10:30 Exercise 2:00 Trivia 6:00 BINGO	31 New Year's Eve 2:00 Devotions	 Free delivery to Whitlock residents! 546-4691		 Call today to schedule a tour! 574-546-4765	