

EDENDALE EDITION



Happy September to all and Happy Grandparent's Day on Sunday, September 8th to all those who are blessed with grandchildren!



The office will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 2.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon. 9/2	Labor Day ~ Office Closed	
Fri. 9/6	Police Coffee	10:00 am
Mon. 9/9	Swap Day	10:00 am
Tue, 9/10	Medicare 101	1:00 pm
Wed. 9/11	Mobile Batteries	11:00 am
	Resident Association Meeting	1:30 pm
Fri. 9/13	Pet Therapy Visit	1:00 pm
Thurs. 9/19	Trivia & Tea	2:00 pm
Tue. 9/24	Book Club	1:00 pm
Wed. 9/25	Mobile Food Shelf	12:00 pm
Thurs. 9/26	Moments to Remember- Part 1	2:00 pm
	Potluck	5:30 pm

Recycling Batteries: Mobile Batteries will recycle your old batteries. Bring them to the lobby on Wednesday, **September 11th at 11:00am** when they are here.



Resident Association: The Resident Association will meet on Wednesday, September 11th at 1:30pm. Please come and have a voice in your association as we now meet just four times a year. The next meeting date will be selected at this meeting.



Vikings games will be listed on the Edendale calendar as it is a function that residents enjoy viewing from a larger TV screen. Private events will be posted ahead of time so resident know when the community room is booked. **September Schedule:**

Sunday	Sept. 8	Atlanta Falcons	Noon	FOX
Sunday	Sept 15	at Green Bay Packers	Noon	FOX
Sunday	Sept 22	Oakland Raiders	Noon	FOX
Sunday	Sept 29	at Chicago Bears	3:25pm	CBS

Bingo Benefit for PROP: Bingo Benefit for PROP hosted by Immanuel Lutheran Church on Saturday, September 7th from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. A suggested donation to participate is \$5 for 20 games. Prizes will be awarded and food trucks will be on site. Proceeds will go to support the work of PROP.

Bingo with Don will resume on Tuesday evenings starting 9/10 at 6:00pm.

Trivia & Tea: Eden Prairie Crime Prevention and Eden Prairie Police will be out on Thursday, September 19th at 2pm for “Trivia & Tea.” Residents are all welcome to attend this fun event. Tea and coffee will be served along with treats. Come join the fun and maybe win a prize! Sponsored by the Crime Prevention Fund and EPPD

Book Club: The book club changed their meeting date from 9/17 to **9/24**.

Moments to Remember- Part 1: Mike Henry, who did “Thanks for the Memories” last December will be back on September 26th at 2:00 pm for Part 1 – “Moments to Remember” (The early days of rock and roll in the mid-1950s through the 1960s)

Medicare 101: Please join us for a presentation on understanding Medicare benefits on Tuesday, September 10 at 1pm.

Schwan’s: The delivery person will meet with residents in the lobby and will no longer go door to door. He will be here around 1-1:30 p.m. approximately. September 6th and 20th will be Schwan’s delivery days for September.

Lessons from Nature

“This is my Father’s world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father’s world: I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.”
Albert Bierstadt (1830–1902)

Inspiration is all around us in the natural world. I’ve recently returned from a trip to our cabin on an island in Lake Vermilion, MN. The views around us are all State Forest. It is such a beautiful gift to experience the peace that water, rock and sky offer in the wilderness. Come rain or come shine, the cabin experience seems to bring a sense of well-being and even healing. How wonderful it would be to enjoy such lovely surroundings year-round.

While I was at the cabin noticed hundreds of very special bees; the rusty patched bumble bee, in particular. This bee happens to be the Minnesota’s state bee and is now an endangered species. Few have survived, yet they seem to be thriving at the lake up North. As I photographed, studied, and watched them, I certainly felt a caring, empathetic concern for this species of bumblebee on the brink of extinction. I sure hope they survive and flourish.

This is how nature has taught me a lesson in caring for people. Friends in my life may not be as endangered as the rusty patched bumble bee, but life is fragile and we all need to be cared for. And so as I found myself caring for such a small creature, I was reminded of Christ’s word about how God cares for us. Christ said, If God was concerned about a sparrow who fell, imagine how much more God would care for each of us. We too can be God’s hands in caring for others. Having care and empathy for our natural world can teach us how to better understand and love each other. Perhaps you’re like me and know friends or relatives who need an encouraging word, a pat on the back, someone to take a genuine interest in their lives to keep them from discouragement or despair. Your simple connection of kindness may be just the thing that sets them up to not just survive, but to flourish and experience real peace and joy.

So each time you see a bee take that moment and pray for someone in need in your life. It could start you on a new journey of your own.



**The Rusty Patched Bumble Bee
at Lake Vermilion, MN**

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