

**Services at Mainstreet Village**

**Available to All Our Residents:**

**Bus Transportation**

- Doctors
- Shopping
- Outings

**In House Shopping:**

- Schwan's

**Worship Services**

- Bible Study
- Worship Service

**Exercise**

- Live 2B Healthy
- Exercise Groups

**Socializing**

- Card Games
- Dominoes
- Bingo
- Sing-Alongs
- Mind Joggers

**Groups**

- Concerto Chats
- Book Club
- Readers' Theater

**In House**

- Beauty Shop
- Home Care
- Library
- BMO Bank
- Fitness Room
- Store
- Craft Room

**Farewell to Our Friends That Have Moved Away**

Grace Elasky  
Eleanor Amundson  
Herb Schauer

**In Remembrance**

Mildred Hummel  
Norma Bennewitt  
Sheila Hyde

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**Writing Out Checks**

Since checks need to be legible and worded correctly it can be a struggle to get them right. If checks are not written correctly people can take advantage of them. We offer assistance with writing out checks. Many have asked for this service. We want to make you aware that Sarah can help assist you with writing your checks. If you need help writing a check or just someone to look over it to make sure it is correct stop by Sarah's office or Sarah will come to your apartment.

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**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS!**

Dec. 6 Ivah Pannkuk	Dec. 21 Cay Countryman
Dec. 7 Mary Drouchas	Dec. 22 Ann Groth
Dec. 8 Henry Carr	Dec. 25 Jean Spencer
Dec. 9 Geneva Sparby	Dec. 26 Pam Hanson
Dec. 11 Ruth Davis	Dec. 26 Ila Janisch
Dec. 11 David Dupree	Dec. 28 Marion Moberg
Dec. 15 Carol Turner	Dec. 29 Verna Hoffman
Dec. 19 Kay Zilka	Dec. 31 Adelle Winkels

**Reoccurring Events**

<b>Mondays:</b> 10:45 L2B Healthy 7:00 Bingo	<b>Wednesdays:</b> 10:45 Live 2B Healthy 1:00 Concerto Chats 3:00 Worship	<b>Fridays:</b> 9:00 B/P Checks (HR) 10:45 Live 2B Healthy 2:00 Sunny Side Bingo 7:00 Movie Night (SR)
<b>Tuesdays:</b> 10:30 Bible Study 1-4 BMO Bank	<b>Thursdays:</b> 10:00 Service (7th & 21st) 3:30 Schwan's (14th & 28th)	



MAINSTREET VILLAGE  
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**Mission Statement:**

Inspired by God's love, Avinity creates Communities for older adults that nurture body, soul and spirit.

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**Scams Are Designed To Steal Your Money or Identity!**



Beware of scams. Do **NOT** give your bank account, credit card or social security numbers out over the phone. Do **NOT** send money grams, money orders, cash or checks to strangers (scammers). Every day people fall victim to scams of one kind or another. Some are very sophisticated and can use very persuasive techniques, such as being your friend, while others just appeal to greed.

The key is to avoid becoming a victim in the first place. **Remember: if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!**

**EVENTS OF NOTE & MONTHLY MEETINGS**

<b><u>Friday, Dec. 1st</u></b>	9:00-4:00 p.m. Holiday Boutique (CH) Invite your Friends
<b><u>Sunday, Dec. 3rd</u></b>	1:00 p.m. Reindeer Carolers (1st DR)
<b><u>Monday, Dec. 4th</u></b>	2:00 Birthday Party(1st DR) Music by Monroe Wright III
<b><u>Tuesday, Dec. 5th</u></b>	9:00 a.m. Coffee with Santa Claus (1st DR) 12:00 p.m. Richfield Community Center Bingo
<b><u>Thursday, Dec. 7th</u></b>	2:00 p.m. Storytelling with Paul Schaefer “Riding Shotgun” (CH)
<b><u>Friday, Dec. 8th</u></b>	11:00 a.m. Famous Daves Lunch Outing (Sign Up) 2:00 p.m. Minneapolis Aquatennial Group (1st DR)
<b><u>Wednesday, Dec. 13th</u></b>	5:00-7:00 p.m. Holiday Party (1st DR)
<b><u>Thursday, Dec. 14th</u></b>	11:00 a.m. Red Lobster Lunch Outing (Sign Up) 1:00 a.m. Cookie Bake (CH)
<b><u>Friday, Dec. 15th</u></b>	National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day—Wear it! 9:00 a.m. Free Blood Pressure Checks (HR) 1:00 p.m. Book Club (HR) 2:00 p.m. Sunnyside Bingo (CH)
<b><u>Saturday, Dec. 16th</u></b>	6:00 p.m. Out of Box Ministries Performance (1st DR) “Unexpected Christmas”
<b><u>Tuesday, Dec. 19th</u></b>	2:00 p.m. Readers Theater Performance (1st DR)
<b><u>Thursday, Dec. 21st</u></b>	5:00 p.m. Outback Steakhouse Dinner & Christmas Light Drive
<b><u>Friday, Dec. 22nd</u></b>	2:00 p.m. Sunnyside Bingo (CH)
<b><u>Monday, Dec. 25th</u></b>	<b>OFFICES CLOSED. MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>
<b><u>Thursday, Dec. 28th</u></b>	1:00 p.m. Square Dancing (CH)
<b><u>Friday, Dec. 29th</u></b>	2:00 p.m. Sunnyside Bingo (CH)
<b><u>Sunday, Dec. 31st</u></b>	5:00 p.m. Resident Pot Luck (1st DR) Bring a dish to share

**CHAPLAIN'S CORNER****Thank God for Friends**

Meet Patricia! She is a newer resident who is full of energy and enjoys being active. She entered right into the Scandia Shores community and has already made many friends. She credits a member of the hospitality committee for helping her get connected.

Patricia grew up in Minneapolis, and then lived in Dubuque, Iowa, for a time. Most recently she moved back to the metro area from Vancouver, Washington, where she lived for 40 years. One recent Christmas, her daughter gave her a Christmas gift—an airplane ticket to Minnesota. They so enjoyed their time together up north. It was then she decided she really liked Minnesota and needed to be back here. So she found Scandia Shores and the rest in history, as they say.

Patricia has experienced her share of heartaches but has learned to put her worries in a **God-Box**. When worries threaten to take over her thoughts, she writes them down and deposits them in her special box. When she looks at them later, she is amazed how God took care of her concerns.

Her family includes 4 grown children, 7 grandchildren, and 5 great grandchildren. She worked as a Mary Kay Cosmetic Consultant for 40 years and managed a Bed and Breakfast for 4 years. Patricia loved to travel, and to make handmade greeting cards. She especially enjoys chatting with people and making new friends. She loves it here at Scandia Shores and said this is the best thing she could have done. Being around positive people makes a huge difference in one's outlook.

When I asked what she anticipates—what she looks forward to in life Patricia said, “Happiness with my family and my “late-in-life friends.” So she shared this beautiful poem with me.

**Late-In-Life Friends**

These are not the friends who swapped campfire stories and ate s'mores with me.  
They are not the ones whose kids played hide-and seek with mine on black-velvet nights.  
In fact, you won't discover them until the last few chapters of my life story.

They are late-in-life friends whose paths have crisscrossed with mine here at the senior residence  
They have their own stories, their own souvenirs, their own friends from the past.  
But all of us need late-in-life friends to come alongside as we complete the journey.



O Lord, keep me from staying holed up in my room,  
using it as a self-imposed prison.  
Don't let me shut the door on new relationships.  
Nudge me to come out and be a late-in-life friend!

Written by Chaplain Sherree Lane