

SHORELINER NEWSLETTER

February 2024



SCANDIA SHORES
OF SHOREVIEW

Scandia Shores Senior Residence, 418 Highway 96 W.
Shoreview, MN 55126 651-415-9793



IN THIS ISSUE

Spiritual Thought.....	2
February Birthdays, Special Days, In Memoriam	3
The History of Leap Year	4
Word Scramble.....	5

GOD'S MEASURELESS LOVE

Do you understand it? I admit it is beyond understanding—God's love for us—for me and for you!

'Gods' of wood and stone don't love their worshipers let alone know who they are. But our Creator God values relationship with us and is vitally interested in each of us to the point He knows our names and the number of hairs on each head!

Approximately 100 years ago, Frederick M. Lehman heard a sermon about the love of God that so moved him, he wrote down the words of a poem quoted at the sermon's conclusion. The words were laid aside and forgotten for some time. Then Mr. Lehman, a businessman, suffered financial reversals and was forced to do hard manual labor packing crates of produce.

During that time, he began writing about God's great unexplained love for mankind and he remembered that poem he had scribbled long ago. He found it and inserted the words of that poem after the two verses he had already written. The meter fit perfectly, as if God had planned it. His song was complete. Later, he learned the poem was written nearly a thousand years earlier by a Jewish songwriter writing about God's expansive love.

Now the rest of the story—this poem, included as the third verse of *The Love of God*, was actually found written on a cell wall. Why the prisoner was incarcerated we do not know, but after he passed the cell was being repainted and the painters discovered these words on the wall, so they jotted them down for posterity!

Could we with ink the ocean fill and were the skies of parchment made,
were ev'ry stalk on earth a quill and ev'ry man a scribe by trade,
To write the love of God above would drain the ocean dry;
nor could the scroll contain the whole, though stretched from sky to sky.

Refrain: O love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong!
It shall forevermore endure the saints' and angels' song!



God's love surpasses our ability to describe it or understand it. His love remains sufficient to encourage the prisoner, sustain the laborer, and draw every nationality of people to Him. Ponder it and, yes, accept it.

*“See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!”
(1 John 3:1)*

+ Campus Pastor Sherree Lane

In February, we celebrate birthdays with:

- Lib K. 2nd Apt. 320
- Janet C-J 10th Apt. 322
- Bonnie N. 15th Apt. 300B

Please join us in the Scandia Room
on the last Tuesday in February to celebrate!



Special Days

- 2nd Groundhogs Day
- 11th Superbowl Sunday
- 14th Valentine's Day
- 19th President's Day
- 29th Leap Year Day

Quote of the Day

“All you need is
love. But a little
chocolate now and
then doesn't hurt.”
-Charles M. Schulz

IN MEMORIAM

To the families and friends—may you
be comforted by the knowledge that
your loved one is at peace.

- DeArv (Doc) Gimm
- Maxine Shandor
- Charles (Charlie) Hall

The History of Leap Year

By Mary Bellis

A leap year is a year with 366 days, instead of the usual 365. Leap years are necessary because the actual length of a year is nearly 365.25 days, not 365 days as commonly stated. Leap years occur every four years, and years that are evenly divisible by four (2020, for example) have 366 days. This extra day is added to the calendar on February 29.

However, there is one exception to the leap year rule involving century years, like the year 1900. Since a year is actually slightly less than 365.25 days, adding an extra day every four years results in about three extra days being added throughout 400 years. For this reason, only one out of every four century years is considered a leap year.

Century years are only considered leap years if they are evenly divisible by 400. Therefore, 1700, 1800, 1900, and 2100 were not leap years. But 1600 and 2000 were leap years.

Julius Caesar, Father of Leap Year

Julius Caesar was behind the origin of leap year in 45 BCE. The early Romans had a 355-day calendar and to keep festivals occurring around the same season each year, a 22- or 23-day month was created every second year. Julius Caesar decided to simplify things and added days to different months of the year to create the 365-day calendar; the actual calculations were made by Caesar's astronomer, Sosigenes. Every fourth year following the 28th day of Februarius (February 29) one day was to be added, making every fourth year a leap year.

In 1582, Pope Gregory XIII further refined the calendar with the rule that leap day would occur in any year divisible by four as described previously.

VALENTINE'S DAY WORD SCRAMBLE



LOAHCCETO

LWRSEFO

OELV

YNACD

URFYREAB

TVIAELENN

TSHAER

DCIPU

DRFEIN

ELDUCD

SISK

SREOS

EWESRTSEHA

GHU

WROAR

WLEYJRE

© 2016 Happiness is Homemade (www.happinessishomemade.com) FOR PERSONAL USE ONLY