

In 1961, community members recognized the need for a retirement community and took action. A partnership with Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, (ELCA), made the dream of Good Neighbor Society a reality.

In 1963, we opened the doors to 55 people looking for a place to retire where they would be safe, cared for, and loved. As Manchester grew, so did the need for additional space for care and specialized services.

Through community support, we now serve 186 people. Today, our services are comprised of Independent Living, Assisted Living, Memory Care, Post Acute Care and Long Term Care.

Neighborhood Villas, our Independent Living, began in 2017 with the first set of homes built and occupied. Now 19 condos are constructed, 2 being built this spring and 4 lots remaining for sale.

The Meadows, our Assisted Living, remains 100% occupied with 37 apartments, and a waiting list. For that reason, we are in the beginning phases of potential additional apartments.

Marietta's Place, Memory Care, has been a reassuring place for 20 people with cognitive impairment to receive care since 2011.

Our newest construction is Post-Acute care, Rehab-to-Home with the largest impact on helping people regain strength in order to recover and return home. Our gym was opened in 2020 as a service to all people living on campus and people coming from the hospital for a short term stay.

Sixty years later, Good Neighbor Home Long Term Care & Good Neighbor Society continue to serve the community with Compassionate Christian Care.



Jessie Tibbott,
Community Development
Director

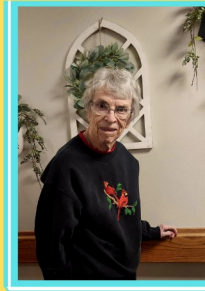


The Meadows March Birthdays

3 Carrie Farmer
7 Garnet Harbaugh
8 Vera Gienapp - 102 Years!
12 Katie Edgington
17 Lillian Jasper
20 Yvonne Brandt
24 Doris Helmrichs
25 Lois Morris
26 Hap Kint - 101 Years!



WELCOME!!



LOIS MORRIS said "Yes" to the address!
Please join us on wishing our newest neighbor a warm welcome to The Meadows Community!



The Meadows 2023 Valentine's King & Queen



KING

QUEEN

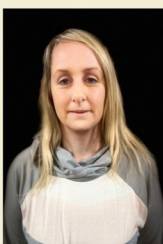
Doris Helmrichs & Freeman "Buster" Smith

Meadows 2023 Mardi Gras King & Queen!



Janet Marbach & Bob Hansel

Welcome to The Meadows new team members!



Carrie Farmer



Macy Deutmeyer



Ashley Elbert

WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE YOU!!

AN IRISH BLESSING

May love and laughter light your days,
and warm your heart and home.
May good and faithful friends be yours,
wherever you may roam.
May peace and plenty bless your world
with joy that long endures.
May all life's passing seasons
bring the best to you and yours!



Above: Tenants made bird feeders out of bagels, peanut butter and birdseed to hang and attract birds outside of their apartment windows!



Above: A triple coincidence! Rosie, Kay & Bernie wearing the same



Above: With the help of her daughters, Bernie Hamlett had a gallery of over 40 pieces of her art-work as she presented on her love of painting.



Above/Right: Nearly thirty members of the local Guys & Gals 4H Club came to share a game of bingo & refreshments with tenants.



We had a SOUPer time hosting family & friends at The Meadows Soup Supper! Thank you to our volunteers and all who were able to attend. It warmed our hearts & nourished our souls!



Below: Tenants were showing off their ink at The Meadows annual “Booze and Tattoos” event!





Why Four-Leaf Clovers are Considered Lucky

One legend has it that the luck factor comes from Eve herself. As Adam and Eve were leaving the Garden of Eden, Eve is said to have plucked a single four-leafed clover as a souvenir of paradise, and this religious connection has led to them being considered lucky ever since. The Celts considered four-leaf clovers to have magical powers of protection, able to ward off evil and bad luck. It was also believed that carrying a clover allowed the bearer to see fairies. Celtic fairies were dangerous little creatures who might

play deadly tricks or steal your children, so carrying a clover meant that you could take evasive action if you spotted one. By the way, did you know that this is why we wear green on St. Patrick's Day?

The Four-Leaf Clover's Connection to St. Patty's Day

Another legend says that when St. Patrick brought Christianity to ancient Ireland, he used the three-leafed shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity: one leaf represented the Father, the next the Son, and the third the Holy Ghost. However, the belief that four-leaf clovers are lucky may have already existed among the Celtic peoples, probably because of the proliferation of clovers in Ireland, and the rarity of finding one with four leaves.

Many Celtic traditions were blended with the new religion over the years, and the importance of the clover was one of them. The four-leaf clover meaning became intertwined with Christianity so that the first three leaves came to represent faith, hope, and love, and the fourth leaf, God's grace, or luck.

What's the Difference Between a Four-Leaf Clover and a Shamrock?

The short answer: one small leaf. Shamrock, which comes from the Old Irish word "seamróg", means "little clover" and describes a three-leaf clover. Since a four-leaf clover has four leaves, it's not considered a shamrock.

That small lucky leaf makes all the difference!

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