

Fall 2021

# Birmingham Green Community Newsletter

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## Our Values:

Stewardship ~ Inclusiveness ~  
Passion

For COVID-19 campus updates:  
visit our website for weekly  
updates or check your email inbox.

## 30 Years at Birmingham Green Happy Retirement!



Jeanie Carver, Nursing Home  
Admissions Supervisor



## A Message from our CEO

### Falling for A Great Story

I can hardly believe it's here already, but with autumn leaves ablaze in the trees and cool, crisp morning air, fall has most decidedly arrived.

This fall, we continue to have much to be grateful for as a community that embraces our mission. Stay on the lookout for the launch of our exciting rebranding efforts, which I will be able to share with you over the coming months. We also continue to welcome referrals of all kinds. If you know someone who would be a great addition to the Birmingham Green team, please let them know that [we are currently hiring compassionate, caring individuals](#) to serve our residents. Plus, if you are looking for a great new book to cozy up with this autumn, I encourage you to pick up a copy of [Didn't Meet Any Geezers on Amazon](#). It's a lovely read and all proceeds will be donated to the Birmingham Green Foundation.

I also want to share with you the exceptional story of Jeanie Carver, our Nursing Home Admissions Supervisor, who recently celebrated 30 years of service at Birmingham Green. Time and time again, Jeannie has been commended for her commitment and compassion for our team and residents. She started her tenure with us in 1991 as a Certified Nursing Assistant. Over the years, Jeanie was promoted to Restorative Nursing Assistant prior to serving in her current role as an amazing Admissions Supervisor. This year, Jeanie has decided to retire to spend more quality time at home. We are thankful for Jeanie's service and she will be missed — until she returns to serve as a volunteer, of course!

Best,

*Denise*

Denise Chadwick Wright, CEO

## Our Mission:

A community with a holistic approach: fostering the spirit, nurturing the body, and nourishing the mind.

## Life Enrichment Activities

September 30

**Oktoberfest** Root Beer Floats &  
German Heritage Month

October 11

**Columbus Day & Indigenous Peoples' Day**

October 16

Join the Birmingham Green Team and participate  
in the Manassas **Walk to End Alzheimer's**.

**When:** Saturday, October 16 – Registration starts at 8:00 a.m., Ceremony at 9:30 a.m. with walk to start immediately after

**Where:** Harris Pavilion | 9201 Center Street Manassas, VA 20110

**Route Length:** 2 miles

To join Birmingham Green's walk team please visit:  
<http://act.alz.org/goto/birminghamgreen>

Please register by Friday, October 8 if you plan to attend. Additional details will be shared with those who register.

October 29



October 31

*All Hallows' Eve or Halloween*



## Don't Be Scared

Scarecrows are just one of many symbols of the fall season. Scarecrows are said to have originated in the 1500s, in Europe where it was common for farmers to hire guards to protect their crops from animal pests and thieves. The guards sometimes slept in the fields in straw huts or stood watch on wooden platforms. But as farms grew, farmers could no longer afford to employ vast numbers of guards. They began, instead, to use human-like watchers. These first scarecrows were erected in the spring, topped with animal skulls, fashioned out of rotting vegetables, and hung on crosses. They served one purpose: to scare pests like crows away from valuable crops. It seems that these scarecrows have earned a spooky reputation ever since.



## Life Enrichment Activities

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November 2



November 11

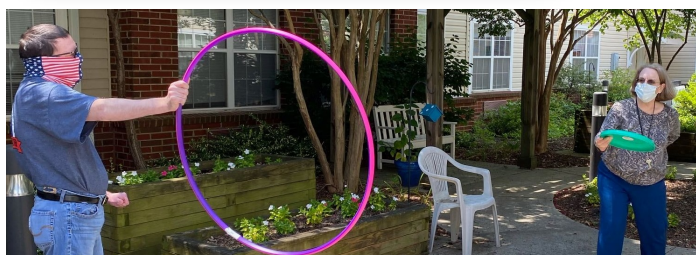
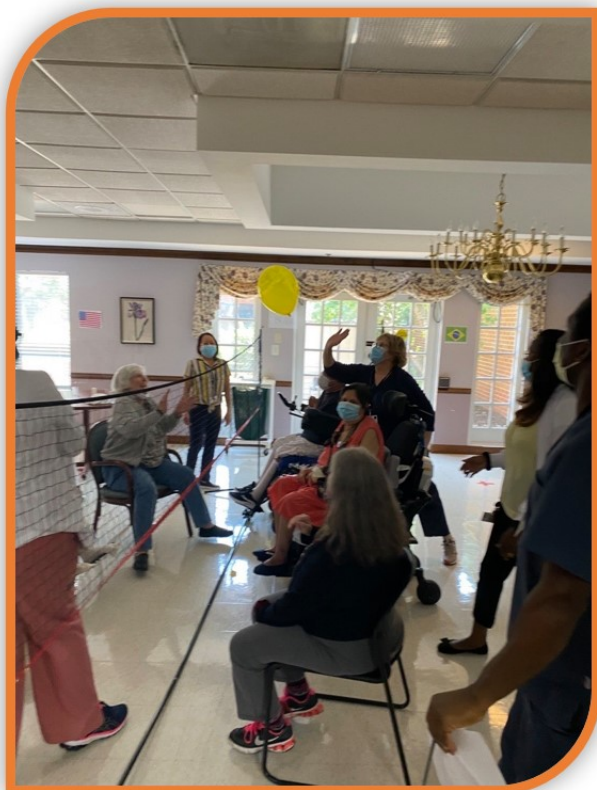






## Olympics @ Birmingham Green

Residents and staff enjoyed a week of sporting events. Everyone had a lot of fun while enjoying some healthy competition.



## Focus on Infection Control – Flu Vaccines for Residents and Staff



Flu season is just around the corner. Vaccines for both residents and staff members are currently on order, however, we currently do not have a set arrival date.

Consent forms are currently being sent by nursing staff to all responsible persons and guardians. Please take a moment to check your mailbox and return the forms to Birmingham Green as soon as possible. We ask that if consent is not granted that you still communicate your non-consent to us to prevent the need for follow-up phone calls, etc.

Once the flu vaccines arrive, those residents for whom we have already received consent will receive their vaccinations.

Staff members will also be receiving their flu vaccines via multiple vaccine clinics.

## Focus on Infection Control – COVID-19 Booster shots for Immunocompromised.

Our nursing Administration is in contact with our local Health Department regarding booster vaccines for residents and staff members who are immunocompromised. Our understanding is that the Health Department will provide us with an on-site vaccination clinic for our residents and staff to receive the booster shot. However, we do not have further dates or more detailed information at this time.

Once the Health Department firms up their plans we will be sending out consent forms and details to responsible persons and guardians who wish to have their loved one's receive the booster shot.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Ceca Winner

The Ceca Award is designed to recognize, celebrate, and reward caregivers who have been nominated for exceptional patient care. At the end of the nomination period, the panel of judges reviews the posts and chooses that period's Ceca Award Honoree who best exemplifies qualities of empathy, humor, integrity, professionalism, and teamwork in caring for our residents.



4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Honoree, Naomi Ingram, Denise Chadwick Wright, CEO of Birmingham Green, and Erin Gilfenbaum from the Ceca Foundation.

**Congratulations and Thank You for Your Dedication to the Mission of Birmingham Green!**

## Updated Visitation Information

Per CMS and CDC guidance, there may be times when it is necessary for us to temporarily suspend visitation due to COVID-19 within our buildings.

If you have not been receiving our weekly updates and wish to be placed on the mailing list, you can send a quick email to [info@birminghamgreen.org](mailto:info@birminghamgreen.org) with your name and email and you relation to one of our residents and we will add you to our family email list.

## Volunteer Spotlight



We are so thankful to Girl Scout, Annorah Pantavong, for planting flowers in front of the District Home. Annorah will receive her Silver Award for her volunteer service to Birmingham Green work.

## An Update on Dr. Quion

As reported in our summer newsletter, Dr. Jun Quion has transitioned his residents to Dr. Desouza. However, we are happy to report that Dr. Quion will continue to be a part of the medical staff at Birmingham Green as a cardiologist and specialty resource.

## Our Piebald Deer is Growing Up!





## Facility Updates

If you have been to the Nursing Home lobby recently, you will notice we have updated our front desk area, installed an additional check-in kiosk and simplified the furniture and signage.



## Birmingham Green in the News

Geneva Bagby, Activities Director at the Nursing Home was recently featured on a news article on the Java Music Club initiative which she initiated at Birmingham Green almost five years ago. [Click here](#) to read this great article!



## Community Support



Birmingham Green is honored that Ruth Hersh Perry, author, and Edgar N. Brown co-author, who recently transitioned have requested for all proceeds from the sale of their book to go to the Birmingham Green Foundation. *Didn't Meet Any Geezers*, will serve to educate and prepare young people for visits to long-term care facilities. We ask for your support of the authors and the Birmingham Green Foundation by [purchasing a copy of \*Didn't Meet Any Geezers\*](#), which is now available in Paperback for \$9.99 on [Amazon.com](#).

You can also support us by designating us as your [smile.amazon.com](#) choice by selecting - Health Ctr Comm for Cnts Fairfax Fauquier Loudn & Prn Wm & Cty Alx - EIN: 54-1438692.

A contribution to the Birmingham Green Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, helps provide needed care for our residents. **For more information, or to make a monetary donation please visit:** [birminghamgreen.org/foundation](http://birminghamgreen.org/foundation)

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**Caring for Nursing Home and Assisted Living residents requires a range of staff expertise. The following is a list of personnel dedicated to your loved one's care and promoting a quality life.**

**BIRMINGHAM GREEN HEALTH CARE CENTER**

Administrator	Mary Vorpahl, LNHA ~ Ext. 6243
Assistant Administrator	Aaron Rebuck, LNHA ~ Ext. 6209
Director, Life Enrichment (NH & AL)	Christina Cole, CTRS, CDP ~ 571-241-1136
Interim Director, Food Services	Robert Wagner ~ Ext. 6254
Registered Dietitian - Nursing Home	Jennie Merritt, RD ~ Ext. 6227
Nursing: Director of Nursing	Sheila Motley, RN ~ Ext. 6220
Nurse Manager, Cardinal Heights	Amanda Partlow, LPN ~ Ext. 6207
Nurse Manager, Garden Hill	Sheila Walker, RN ~ Ext. 6218
Nurse Manager, Cherry Blossom Estates	Connie Burelle, RN ~ Ext. 6225
Infection Control Preventionist	Patience Adjaho, RN ~ Ext. 6261
Rehab Therapy	Maithili Patibandla, PT ~ Ext. 6258
Director, Social Services	Tondra Cahill ~ Ext. 6215
Social Worker/Case Manager	Christine Shriner, MSW, CDP, CMDCP ~ Ext. 6229
	Ni'Veka Boswell, BSW ~ Ext. 3493
Admissions Coordinator - Interim	Aaron Rebuck ~ Ext. 6209
Director, Volunteer & Support Services	Andre Porter ~ Ext. 6252
Director, Facilities	John May ~ Ext. 6273
Director, Environmental Services	Julio Mogollon ~ Ext. 6249

**WILLOW OAKS Assisted Living**

Administrator	Tracy Maynard, ALFA, BS, CMC, ADC ~ Ext. 6253
Director of Nursing - Assisted Living	Kumba Sarr, RN ~ Ext. 6219
Social Worker/Case Manager	Clarice Morris ~ Ext. 6248
	David Leventhal ~ Ext. 6265
Nurse Manager	Angela Davis, RN ~ Ext. 6263
Director, Life Enrichment (NH & AL)	Christina Cole, CTRS, CDP ~ 571-241-1136
Admissions Supervisor – Assisted Living	Mary Tietjen ~ Ext. 6264

**DISTRICT HOME Assisted Living**

Administrator	Robert Wagner ~ Ext. 6254
Nurse Manager	Michelle Short-Pack, LPN ~ Ext. 6294
Director of Nursing - Assisted Living	Kumba Sarr, RN ~ Ext. 6219
Director, Life Enrichment (NH & AL)	Christina Cole, CTRS, CDP ~ 571-241-1136
Admissions Supervisor – Assisted Living	Mary Tietjen ~ Ext. 6264

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

Chief Executive Officer	Denise Chadwick Wright ~ Ext. 6240
Chief Operating Officer	Joan Thomas, LCSW, FACHE, MBA, CMC, LNHA ~ Ext. 6226
Director Human Resources & Compliance	Alice Decker, BS ~ Ext. 6210