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You are invited to celebrate Edenwald's special 40th Anniversary year!

We will be honoring its past...

Reveling in its present...

Looking ahead to its growth

WATCH EDENTIMES, E-MAIL, POSTERS

for news of exciting plans as they unfold-
parties, trips, gifts, programs, fun.

You will agree -This Never Gets Old!

SEEKING FAMILY CONNECTIONS

For Edenwald's 40th Anniversary we would like to recognize current residents who had relatives who lived at Edenwald or Greisenheim in the past. Please let us know who they were, how they were related to you and include a brief paragraph or so about them – what they did, if you know how they might have been involved here, if this relationship led to your decision to move here. Anything you think might be of interest is welcome.

These connections may be a part of our past, but they are links to our present, and who knows how they might also link to Edenwald's future! They and you are a valued part of Edenwald's history and something we would like to share in future issues during this celebratory year.

After all, ***this never gets old!***

Please send the information to Kitty Allen – kitty.allen@verizon.net, or cubby box 604. I look forward to hearing from you!

Looking Back in Time: DID YOU KNOW?



When Edenvale opened its doors to residents in 1985, the front lobby had a very different look. The seating area behind the front desk was often referred to as the “Critics Corner.”

However, the face of Edenvale looked much the same until 2008 when the Terraces was opened. Then in 2010 the beautiful new driveway and porte-cochere were added to the Tower Entrance.



EDENFORUM **Question? See Mary G.**



Wednesday, April 2nd at 7:30 p.m.

Joseph Cassar: Enduring Themes I: Portraits

This lecture focuses on the history of portraiture starting from the earliest civilizations and coming up until today. Portraits have always intrigued artists; it was a way to immortalize a person, capturing their resemblance, character and personality. With time only Kings and the rich could afford a portrait, and they were intended to show power. Eventually portraits became available for everyone, and artists even started to paint themselves. Today portraits are commissioned by organizations and governments as well as by private patrons. This is a richly stimulating lecture which outlines the development of portrait painting through the ages in rich colored images that invite questions and discussion.



Monday, April 7th at 7:30 p.m.

Seth Kibel: Big Bands of the Swing Era Part II

For a roughly ten-year period, from the mid-1930's until the end of WWII, jazz and popular music were, for the only time in American history, one and the same. The musical stars of the "Swing Era," as it was called, were the big bands. In this second of a 2-part lecture, we'll explore the lives, careers, and fabulous oeuvres of such legendary band leaders as Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington, Artie Shaw, Count Basie, The Dorsey Brothers, Glenn Miller, and more. Expect to hear familiar classics and possibly some undiscovered gems, as well. Classic recordings, video clips, as well as live performances from your lecturer will keep these presentations as lively as the music itself!

Monday, April 14th at 7:30 p.m.

Joseph Cassar: Enduring Themes II: Landscapes

This lecture outlines how landscapes became a genre and an important theme for artists. We will hear about landscape painting or imitation of nature and gardens in ancient civilizations like Egypt, Greece and Pompei. Eventually the landscape came to an end in itself, and artists wanted to capture the trees, cloud formations and the forces of nature like storms and ships struggling in high seas. Landscape gained a symbolic meaning during the romantic period where a sunset or a view of the ocean became a contemplative subject for us to understand the fleeting moments of our lives on earth. Landscape became a key subject for the Impressionists and remains so for contemporary artists like Hockney and Kiefer. This is a richly stimulating lecture which outlines the development of landscape painting through the ages in rich colored images that invite questions and discussion.

Wednesday, April 30th at 7:30 p.m. Adrienne Garwood:

National Aquarium

Adrienne Garwood is Director of Experiential Design at the National Aquarium. She oversees a team of content developers, designers and a product manager who focuses on upgrades to the in-building guest experience. Her work includes campus identity, signage, exhibits, and experiences that connect guests to nature to inspire compassion and care for our ocean planet. The National Aquarium is a national treasure and is the largest tourism attraction in the state of Maryland. Over 1.4 million visitors visit our Aquarium each year.





WELCOME NEW
RESIDENTS
Tom and Ellen
Mendelsohn

By Ann Dahl



Stories about “first dates” often provide good conversation, but I think that

Tom and Ellen Mendelsohn’s first date must rank near or possibly at the top of the list because of its unusual (at least for them) venue. On Christmas Eve they attended Midnight Mass at the brand-new Cathedral of Mary Our Queen. Now you may be wondering what’s so unusual about that; hundreds do it every year. *But not if they are Jewish!*

Both of our new neighbors in Tower 514 grew up in Baltimore. Tom attended Forest Park High School and Ellen went to Milford Mill. He continued his education at the University of Baltimore, and she attended the University of Maryland. After dating for five years, they married (no, not at the Cathedral!) and raised their family – A son Ian, who lives in Atlanta and has had a variety of positions associated with his skill as a wine specialist—and a daughter Jennifer, an attorney who is part of a group of seven women who investigate possible additional uses for drugs that are in the research phase of their development. A recommendation: When you meet Ellen and Tom, ask them for more details about both their children’s careers. Lots of fascinating information there!

As for the couple themselves, Ellen taught at both Sudbrook and Bedford Elementary Schools before raising her family. Her father, Dr. Ellison, was a surgeon whose practice became the largest in East Baltimore. She is a golfer and loves to play Canasta.

Tom has been a golfer, but because of mobility issues, is no longer able to tackle the links. His mind is still quite active, however. He is a great reader and is obviously a “lifelong learner” because he attends the Osher classes. Tom’s career was a “family” one. His father sold medicines under his own label. Tom’s two brothers attended pharmacy school. With his business degree, Tom handled the sales and marketing side of the company, which was later sold to REVCO, an Ohio-based drugstore. Again, I would encourage you to ask Tom and Ellen for more information about their families of origin. Both can relate many more details than I have room for here. Enjoy your conversations with the Mendelsohns.

WELCOME NEW RESIDENT

Robert Seeger

By Kitty Allen



Robert Seeger, before moving into Tower 701, had various memories and perspectives about his new home than most of us since he had been a member of the German Board from the early 1980's when the predecessor of this location was still the Greisenheim on Athol Ave. He now joins a select small group of former Board members who decided to transition to resident status. As we approach the 40th anniversary of Edenwald in Towson, he says he has experienced many changes, challenges, and adventures over the decades.

He is happy to be here but admits to finding new challenges just learning what is where and how to get there!

Robert was born in Baltimore, one of four siblings, and he and his two brothers attended Polytechnic High; a sister went to Eastern. He worked as a printer for several firms before owning his own business. Later he became a Baltimore County Board of Education bus driver and spent 21 years transporting students of all grade levels to and from school and field trips. His wife, Anne, treasured the huge pile of thank you notes and mementos he received over the years. Anne and their daughter Sara Lee never missed a Board-sponsored Christmas Party here, accompanying Robert, resplendent in his bright red blazer, greeting residents and staff. Sadly, Anne passed away three years ago.

Robert joined many clubs during his printing years: he was a Mason and a Shriner attending many evening meetings, so busy working that Anne, who liked to travel often went alone.

Welcome Robert! We hope you enjoy living on the inside of this place which you helped become such a wonderful home for all of us.



WELCOME NEW RESIDENT

Doris Webb

By Maureen Danz

Doris Webb moved to Edenwald on February 20th. Almost immediately, she went on the trip to the University of Maryland Nursing Museum on February 27th. She had a good reason to join us on the trip to the Nursing Museum as she is a proud graduate of the nursing school with a BSN. Doris is anxious to join the activities at Edenwald.

The majority of her career was spent as a school nurse at Loch Raven Middle School. This worked out well since she and her late husband Jack had three children with schedules to work around. Frederick was Doris' home until she began to attend college at the University of Maryland at College Park. After graduation and marriage, Towson became her home. Like many of us, her family spent their lives here and attended the local schools.

When I asked Doris what her special interests were, she said she was active in her church-The Church of the Nativity Episcopal church on Cedarcroft Rd. Hopefully, she can remain active in her church.

Attending events and activities of her 13 grandchildren, who are spread from Kent County, Anne Arundel County and Frederick County, is very important to her. No one lives in the Baltimore area so "keeping up" is difficult.

Doris has already circled dates on the monthly calendar, and I am sure she will be attending many of the events. Be sure to say "hi" and get to know Doris.

SUBSCRIPTION SERIES

Saturday, April 5th

Departs at 12pm

Everyman

Edward Albee's Who's
Afraid of Virginia Woolf?

Saturday, April 5th

Departs at 7pm

BSO

Let's Misbehave:
The Songs of Cole Porter

Thursday, April 10th

Departs at 7pm

Speaker Series

Andrew Lloyd Webber

Friday, April 11th

Departs at 6pm

Everyman

Edward Albee's Who's
Afraid of Virginia Woolf?

Thursday, April 24th

Departs at 6:30pm

BSO

Gil Shaham Returns

Friday, April 25th

Departs at 7pm

BSO

Gil Shaham Returns

UPCOMING EVENTS & LIVE MUSIC

Tuesday, April 1st: Opera Club- at 10:00am - AUD

Opera Club, led by Catrin Davies of Opera Baltimore, meets the first Tuesday of every month at 10am. The topic of discussion will be Carl Maria von Weber's folk opera, *Der Freischutz*. This Opera will be shown in the Auditorium on Saturday, March 29th at 2pm and Monday, March 31st at 7pm. If you want to be reminded of Opera Club each month, please send your email address to vermontsue@aol.com. (Susanne Emory)

Tuesday, Every Week: Bingo at 7:30pm- AUD

Do you feel lucky? Well, try your luck at Bingo on Tuesdays in the Auditorium. You never know. You may walk away a WINNER!

*Wednesdays, Sewing Repair Service from 2:30-4pm – Tower 1205. **Registration Required.***

Farzana does beautiful and affordable work. Let's continue this service by signing up in the Registration Book under Resident Services (way in the back of the book). Cash or check made payable to the Residents' Association. Prices are listed in the Registration Book.

Wednesday, April 2nd: Ask the RA Prez Meeting at 3pm- AUD

Have questions but don't know who to ask? Want more information about upcoming events, Residents' Association Committees, or Edenwald processes? Come to this informal meeting with Floyd Herman, Edenwald's RA President.

Thursday, April 3rd: Steve Abshire & Steve Herberman (Jazz Guitar Duo) at 7:30pm- AUD

Steve Abshire was a lead guitarist with the Navy's Commodores. Steve Herberman has toured extensively. Join these two amazing musicians for a night of jazz music.

Friday, April 4th: Monthly Wine Tasting at 4:30pm- AUD

Mingle with your friends while exploring the world of wine, one sip at a time. Join us on the first Friday of every month as we sample wines from around the world and local/regional wines. All are welcome!

Saturday, April 5th: Chocolate Making Workshop at 3-4:30pm- PDR

Repeat of our delicious chocolate making workshop. Join us to learn how to make your own chocolates for the Spring. We'll learn about the types of chocolates, how to melt them, and different ways to show them off. Samples will be provided.

Sunday, April 6th: Generational Jam Spring Dance with Goucher Students 7-8:30pm- AUD

Mingle with Goucher students while sharing music and dance styles through many genres and generations. Light refreshments will be served.

Mondays, Every Week: Jewelry Repair at 3-4 pm in Tower 1205

Joel Berman, our resident jeweler, will work his magic on your items to be repaired. Due to safety issues, we can only allow space for 6 people to sign up. Sign-up in the Registration Book under Resident Groups. We cannot accommodate walk-ins. To protect your treasure, please do not give Joel your items outside of these hours. Funds go to support our Art and Craft programs. Limit is two items and CASH ONLY.

Monday, April 7th: Getting to Know Shakespeare at 2:45pm- AUD

Facilitator Marianna Russell chooses different Shakespeare pieces to learn more about. Each month, the group views Shakespeare Uncovered as well as the actual play before the discussion is held. The group's meetings are open to all. On this day the group will watch "Measure for Measure, Part 2."

Wednesday, April 9h: Trivia with Mandy at 7:30pm- AUD

Mandy makes her trivia sessions unique to each place, person and event. Rounds, Questions, Baits & Hook Challenges are personalized every session. It combines elements of general pub trivia, family feud, puzzle solving, and much more. She aims to please the demographic she hosts even down to the music she chooses to play. Come test your knowledge while having some fun with friends.

Friday, April 11th: RA Meeting/Town Hall at 1:30pm- AUD

Beginning at 1:30 pm in the Auditorium, the RA holds its monthly meeting to inform residents of changes or address concerns. All are welcome to attend or view the meeting on channel 971. Following the RA meeting, Mark Beggs will present his town hall.

Saturday, April 12th: Coffee & Conversation at 10am – Valley Room

Come meet your neighbors and learn more about your friends at this fun morning event! Coffee and Danishes will be served. New residents and those who have lived here a long time are invited to mingle.

Monday, April 14th: URC Updates with Mark at 12:30pm- AUD

Join Mark on the second Monday of the month as he answers your questions and concerns!

Tuesday, April 15th: Npower Tech Support at 1-3pm- Social Lounge

Need help accessing programs online? Want free tech professionals' help but don't know where to turn? Npower Community Helpdesk is here for you. We provide free tech support to those in the greater Baltimore area. Our tech professionals are here to help you navigate your most challenging computer and tech issues. Due to interest in this program, please sign up in the registration book under the in-house programs. There will be 20-minute slots & a waitlist.

Thursday, April 17th: Ramilya Saubanova & Nikolai Klotchkov (Classical Pianist & Saxophonist) at 7:30pm- AUD

Classical pianist, Ramilya Saubanova stands as a musician, embodying profound sensitivity, passion, and lyricism in her artistic expression. Entering the world of music 21 years ago in Tatarstan, Russia, Ramilya's journey has been marked by excellence showcased in competitions, festivals, and recitals across diverse international landscapes.

A native of Moscow, classical saxophonist and emerging researcher, Nikolai Klotchkov believes that only an excellent musician can create a valid scientific description of music phenomenon. Researching musicians' physiology and music cognition, he seeks to provide insights into performing music as a phenomenon. Nikolai studied saxophone with Aleksey Volkov at the Ippolitov-Ivanov Institute.

Friday, April 18th: Slightly Silver at 7:30pm- AUD

Three retired gentlemen who love to play guitar and sing. Our band name is "Slightly Silver" we perform music from the 50's 60's 70's and 80's. Artist such as Dion, the Beatles, John Denver, Everly Brothers Elvis, and some country music. We hope you come out to see us play.

Monday, April 21st: Getting to Know Shakespeare at 2:45pm- AUD

On this day, Marianna will lead the group discussion about “Measure for Measure.”

Monday, April 21st: Nicholas Wynn with Peabody Musician Dina Kasman (Violin & Piano) at 7:30pm- AUD

Join Nicholas and Dina as they perform a program consisting of seascapes, songs of spring and excitement.

Tuesday, April 22nd: Documentary- “Before the Flood” at 3-4:30pm- AUD

Featuring Leonardo DiCaprio and directed by Fisher Stevens, Before the Flood presents a riveting account of the dramatic changes occurring around the world due to climate change.

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Thursday, April 24th: Taylor Marie Bi-yearly Fashion Show at 10:30am-2:30pm- AUD

Once again Taylor Marie will be bringing her Spring and Summer fashions. Come by to see what is new! A fashion show will be held starting at 1:30pm. If you would like to be a model, please contact Arlen St. John at 410-960-7500.

Friday, April 25th: Dr. Xin Wu & Dr. Jietong Fu (Pianist & Lyric Tenor) at 7:30pm- AUD

Dr. Xin Wu is a pianist specializing in opera, vocal coaching, and collaborative performance. She serves as an accompanist and vocal coach at Morgan State University and a staff pianist at the Peabody Conservatory and Preparatory, where she works closely with singers to prepare for recitals, competitions, and professional engagements. With extensive experience in vocal collaboration, Dr. Wu has played for numerous opera productions, including *Riders to the Sea*, *Proving Up*, *Hansel and Gretel*, *Die Fledermaus*, *Le Nozze di Figaro*, *The Magic Flute*, *Così fan tutte*, *L’elisir d’amore*, *Rigoletto*, and *Carmen*.

Dr. Jietong Fu is a lyric tenor from Xiamen, China. He came to the United States in 2019 and earned his Doctor of Musical Arts (D.M.A.) degree from Texas Tech University in 2022. He also holds a Graduate Performance Diploma in Voice Performance from the Peabody Conservatory.

Dr. Xin Wu will be performing some solo pieces by Liszt and Bach. Together with her husband, Dr. Jietong Fu they will perform art songs by Amy Beach, Schubert, and Leoncavallo, along with some standard opera arias.

Monday, April 28th: Open Forum with Mark at 12:30pm- AUD

Join Mark on the fourth Monday of the month as he answers your questions and concerns!

Tuesday, April 29th: Opera on Demand: Les Contes d’Hoffmann (2015) at 2-5pm- AUD

Tenor Vittorio Grigolo takes on the title role in Offenbach’s fantastic opera, giving a tour-de-force performance as the tortured poet unlucky in love. He is joined by a trio of leading ladies: Erin Morley sings the mechanical doll Olympia, Hibla Gerzmava is the fragile Antonia, and Christine Rice sings Giulietta, the Venetian courtesan. Bartlett Sher’s colorful production, seen here in its second Live in HD presentation, also stars Thomas Hampson as the sinister Four Villains and Kate Lindsey as Niklausse, Hoffmann’s friend and muse. Yves Abel conducts.

Please Note: Auditorium will be set up for Bingo, but chairs will be turned towards the projector.

MONTHLY MOVIES: Saturday Movies in Auditorium at 7:30pm

Questions? See Joel B.



Saturday, April 5th: "The Breaking Point" (1950)

Based on the story by Ernest Hemingway. A charter skipper ends up in the middle of a syndicate shoot-out upon accepting an unknown cargo packed with illegal immigrants, for a few dollars.

Starring: John Garfield, Patricia Neal, Juano Hernandez, Phyllis Thaxter

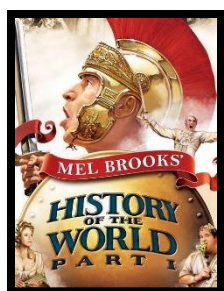
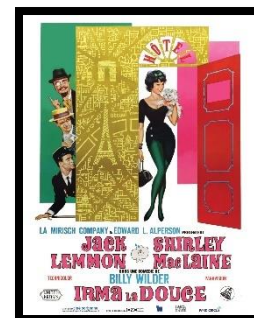
Running Time: 1 hour 37 minutes

Saturday, April 12th: "Irma la Douce" (1963)

This entertaining comedy finds disgraced former police officer Nestor Patou (Jack Lemmon) falling for beautiful Parisian prostitute Irma la Douce (Shirley MacLaine). Though Nestor becomes Irma's pimp, he can't stand the idea of her being with clients, so he devises a way to keep her all to himself. This scheme leads to plenty of trouble, however, and soon Nestor is forced to avoid his old law-enforcement peers in an attempt to stay with Irma and out of jail.

Starring: Jack Lemmon, Shirley MacLaine, Hope Holiday, Joan Shawlee

Running Time: 2 hours 27 minutes



Saturday, April 19th: "History of the World Part I" (1981)

Human history is traced through a series of vignettes, beginning with cavemen awestruck by their own magnificence. Then Moses (Bel Brooks) receives the tablets containing the "15" commandments, and Emperor Nero (Dom Deluise) presides over a madcap Rome with his wife, Nympho (Madeline Kahn). Jumping ahead, the Spanish Inquisition softens repression with song and dance, and a few centuries later Madame Defarge (Cloris Leachman) is fomenting revolution in France.

Starring: Mel Brooks, Madeline Kahn, Dom Deluise, Cloris Leachman

Running Time: 1 hour 32 minutes

Saturday, April 26th: "Grand Torino" (2008)

Retired auto worker and Korean war vet Walt Kowalski (Clint Eastwood) fills emptiness in his life with beer and home repair, despising the many Asian, Latino and black families in his neighborhood. Walt becomes a reluctant hero when he stands up to the gangbangers who tried to force an Asian teen to steal Walt's treasured car. An unlikely friendship develops between Walt and the teen, as he learns he has more in common with his neighbors than he thought.

Starring: Clint Eastwood, Scott Eastwood, Ahney Her, Bee Vang

Running Time: 1 hour 56 minutes



Thursday Foreign Movie- Auditorium at 7:30pm

Questions? See Joel B.



Thursday, April 24th: "The Intouchables" (2011)

A Parisian aristocrat, quadriplegic since a paragliding accident, hires a young man to be his live-in caretaker. Although very different the two men bond and develop a close friendship.

Starring: Omar Sy, Francois Cluzet, Audrey Fleurot, Anne Le Ny

Running Time: 1 hour 52 minutes

Sundays on Broadway- Auditorium at 7:30pm

Questions? See Arlen

Mojos 20 ascending Best Musicals

#20 Cats, #19 Sound of Music, #18 Into the Woods, #17 Fiddler on The Roof

Sunday, April 6th: NO MOVIE- Generational Jam Session with Goucher in the AUD at 7pm



Sunday, April 13th: #16 “Oklahoma” (1943)

Set in farm country outside the town Claremore, Indian territory in 1906, it tells the story of farm girl Laurey Williams and her courtships by two rival suitors, cowboy Curly McLain and the simpler and frightening farm hance Jud Fry. Oklahoma is the work of Rodgers and Hammerstein. This is their first work and most important. It is also the single most influential work in the American musical theatre. It is the first fully integrated musical play and its blending of song, character, plot and even dance would serve the model for Broadway shows for decades.

Starring: Shirley Jones, Gordon MacRae and Gene Nelson

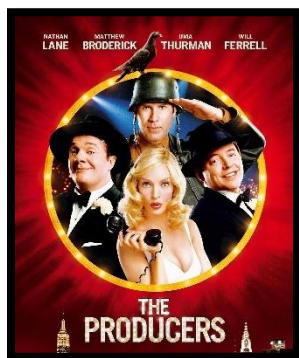
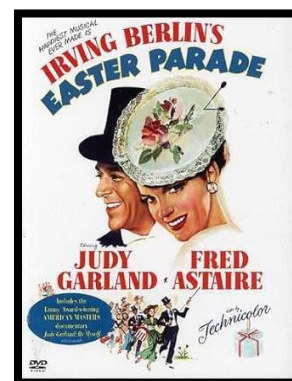
Running Time: 2 hours 25 minutes

Sunday, April 20th: “Easter Parade” (1948)

Easter Parade is a musical film directed by Charles Walters. The plot revolves around a nightclub performer who hires a naïve chorus girl to become his new dance partner, proving he can make any partner a star. The film follows the story of Don Hewes and Nadine Hale, a dancing team, and how Nadine decides to start a career on her own, leading to the introduction of Hannah Brown as a new partner.

Starring: Judy Garland, Fred Astaire, Peter Lawford, and Ann Miller

Running Time: 1 hour 47 minutes



Sunday, April 27th: #15 “The Producers” (2005)

Down and out producer Max Bialystock who was once the toast of Broadway, trades sexual favors with old ladies for cash contributions. Max's new accountant Leo Bloom off handedly muses that if Max found investors for a new production that turned into a flop, he could legally keep all the extra money. The duo begins to put together the worst play possible titled “Springtime for Hitler” with a terrible director and a hippie freak star.

Starring: Nathan Lane, Matthew Broderick and Mel Brooks

Running Time: 2 hours 14 minutes

MOVIE RESCHEDULED: Friday, April 11th at 7pm “The Trial of the Chicago 7”

The Trial of the Chicago 7 is a 2020 American historical legal drama film written and directed by Aaron Sorkin. The film follows the Chicago Seven, a group of anti-Vietnam War protesters charged with conspiracy and crossing state lines with the intention of inciting riots at the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

Starring: Yahya Abdul-Mateen II, Sacha Baron Cohen, Daniel Flaherty

Running Time: 2 hours 9 minutes



RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Shabbat Services

Questions? See Jack K or Floyd H

2nd and 4th Friday at 4pm AUD

Kabbalat Shabbat at Edenwald is an experience hosted by Cantor Ginsberg & Rabbi Herman. It begins as congregants gather with friends, bid farewell to the week that has passed, reconnect with one another and welcome Shabbat with joyous songs.

3rd Friday at 3pm AUD

Shabbat Services is hosted by Rabbi Ben Shalva from Gilchrist. He will be sharing his musical talents during each service.

Bible Study

Questions? See Tom M

For the month of April, we will be meeting on the second and fourth Thursday at 10am in the Terrace Multipurpose Room on the first floor. We usually have between 10 and 14 participants depending on doctor appointments, trips, and illnesses. Please plan on joining us if you are free and able. We share the word of God and have prayer time at the end for those in need. The length of the class is between 30 and 60 minutes. If you must leave for some reason, please feel free to leave at any time.

The group is led by Tom & Sherry Morell. Please contact them with any questions or comments.
443-465-1864.

Sunday Worship Service

Questions? See Beverly D or Katie B

3pm Auditorium

Sunday, April 6th: Dr. Emora Brannan

Sunday, April 13th: Palm Sunday with Pastor Michael Ritt

Thursday, April 17th: Maundy Thursday-Holy Thursday

With Minister Jack Danz at 3:30pm (Please note the time difference.)

Sunday, April 20th: Easter with Pastor Natiya Bennett

Sunday, April 27th: Minister Jack Danz

Sunday Morning Transportation to Local Churches

Please wait in the Tower Lobby at least 10 minutes before your departure.

8:40am: Church of the Nativity

9:30am: Towson United Methodist Church & Towson Presbyterian

10:30am: Central Presbyterian & Calvary Baptist Church

Catholic Communion

Immaculate Conception hosts 10:30am Communion in the Terraces Multipurpose Room every Sunday.

The Bookmobile

Friday, April 4th

from 1:45pm-3pm

Please feel free to drop off any Book Club books in Tina's office.

There is a gray bin on the floor that is labeled!

NEW IN THE LIBRARY

Questions? Contact Jean J.

FICTION

Benedict, Marie *The Queens of Crime*
Epstein, Allison *Fagin the Thief*
Kelly, Julia *The Dressmakers of London*
Puchner, Eric *Dream State*

MYSTERY

Brown, Sandra *Blood Moon*
Kellerman, Jonathan *Open Season*
Marshall, Kate Alice *A Killing Cold*
Spotswood, Stephen *Dead in the Frame*

NON-FICTION

Brooks, Geraldine *Memorial Days*
Miller, John W. *The Last Manager: How Earl Weaver Tricked, Tormented, And Reinvented Baseball*
Stourton, James *Rogues and Scholars: A History of the London Art World: 1945-2000*

Audiobooks

NON-FICTION

Harari, Yuval Noah *Sapiens*

FICTION

Erdrich, Louise *Round House*
McBride, James *Heaven & Earth Grocery Store*
Tartt, Donna *The Goldfinch*

MYSTERY

Connelly, Michael *The Brass Verdict*

EDENWALD BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, April 8th at 7:30pm in the Terrace Multipurpose Room

The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

THE RUNAWAY NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER. A NEW YORK TIMES NOTABLE BOOK. A NEW YORK TIMES READERS PICK: 100 BEST BOOKS OF THE 21ST CENTURY NAMED A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR BY NPR/FRESH AIR, WASHINGTON POST, THE NEW YORKER, AND TIME MAGAZINE

In 1972, when workers in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, were digging the foundations for a new development, the last thing they expected to find was a skeleton at the bottom of a well. Who the skeleton was and how it got there were two of the long-held secrets kept by the residents of Chicken Hill, the dilapidated neighborhood where immigrant Jews and African Americans lived side by side and shared ambitions and sorrows. Chicken Hill was where Moshe and Chona Ludlow lived when Moshe integrated his theater and where Chona ran the heaven & Earth Grocery Store. As these characters' stories overlap and deepen, it becomes clear how much the people who live on the margins of white, Christian America struggle and what they must do to survive. McBride shows us that even in dark times, it is love and community-heaven and earth-that sustain us. Bringing his masterly storytelling skills and his deep faith in humanity to *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store*, James McBride has written a compassionate and inventive novel.

A Brain Health Program

MIND YOUR MIND
Exercises to Challenge your Mental Abilities

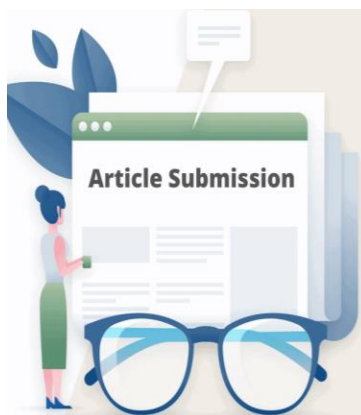
TOPIC: ABOUT NUMBERS

- * PRACTICAL ARITHMETIC
- * MATHEMATICAL REASONING

Date: Wednesday, April 9th
Time: 2:45 PM—3:45 PM
Place: Private Dining Room

For more information please contact:

Lisa Clerman at 410-339-6146 Lclerman@edenwald.org



FRIENDLY REMINDER:

The deadline to submit any information that should go into the Edentimes is the 15th of the current month for the following month's newsletter. Please send this information to Tina Goudy at tgoudy@edenwald.org or drop it off at The Lifestyles Programming office by the 15th. THANK YOU.

EDENWALD FITNESS & WELLNESS



Our active series trip for the month of April is to the Goucher Equestrian Center. We will visit, pet and feed the horses. The horses are very fond of mints and carrots, so, feel free to bring those along. The trip will take place on Thursday, April 24th. The bus departure will be 12:50pm and we will return approximately 2:15pm.

Alex Dull is returning for her second chair massage event on April 21st from 2:00-4:00pm. Twelve slots are available. Please sign up today to claim your spot.

The annual pool draining and cleaning will take place on April 21st through April 23rd. As I write this, the plan is to reopen on Thursday, April 24th. If anything changes, Amy will notify the community as soon as possible.

We have great news! Now that Gretta is here, she will be teaching Aqua Exercise 2 mornings per week, beginning on Tuesday, April 1st at 9:30AM and on Wednesday, April 2nd at 10:30AM. Please give your feedback about these time slots. We chose 2 different times to make class more available for everyone.

Just a reminder, Diane Rehling is in-residence now and is teaching a relaxing yoga class on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7pm. We have had a great response! Thank you to everyone that has and continues to attend her class!

Fit Tip of the Month: Aqua Exercise has so many benefits for seniors, such as improved heart health, reduced stress, and improved muscular endurance and strength. It is low-impact and joint-friendly. Check it out and attend Gretta's class!

Fitness Center: Monday-Sunday Open 24/7

Aquatic Center: Monday-Friday 8:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm

Saturday/Sunday 8:00am-12:00pm

Amy DeMaine: Wellness Manager

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TRIPS AND TRAVEL

Questions? Contact Tina

ALL trips will depart from the Tower Lobby. Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the departure time listed. More information about each trip is located in the Registration Binder, including sign-up sheets. Feel free to pack a bag to leave on the bus, water bottles, snacks, or a cushion! ALWAYS bring your photo ID.



Tuesday, April 1st **“Amish Life” Day Trip**

Bus Departure: 8am/Estimated Return: 4pm

Difficulty Rating: Moderate/Difficult/ Total Cost: About \$40

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel Without Being Charged was: Saturday, March 15th

Limited- 17 residents

Led by our own tour guide, Kathy Eshbach will meet us in Lancaster. She'll explain the history, values and beliefs of the Amish as we drive through the countryside. We'll go through a modern Amish home and see the bed quilts (stairs with handrails), walk through an Amish harness shop (they make the best belts!) and have a traditional lunch in a conservative Amish home. Bring cash to buy jams, leather goods, peanut butter spread, gifts, etc. Please honor the wishes of this community and do not take photos or videos. It is part of their religious doctrine.



Thursday, April 3rd

Cherry Blossom Lunch Cruise on the Potomac

Bus Departure: 10am/Estimated Return: 4:15pm

Difficulty Rating: Moderate/ Total Cost: \$99 (This includes lunch).

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel without being charged was: Thursday, March 13th

Limited- 17 residents

With the sunshine reflecting off the Potomac River, there's no better place to enjoy an afternoon in Washington, DC. than aboard a lunch cruise. Treat yourself to a historical tour of some of the most iconic landmarks in the country like Old Town Alexandria, the National Harbor, and the Washington Monument all while enjoying cherry blossom blooms!



Sunday, April 6th

Footloose Musical at Towson High

Bus Departure: 1:30pm/Estimated Return: 4:45pm

Difficulty Rating: Easy

Total Cost: \$10

Limited- 14 residents

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel was: Sunday, March 23rd

Get ready to *cut loose* with Towson High School Theatre as they bring the high-energy musical Footloose to the stage! Packed with electrifying dance numbers, unforgettable songs, and an inspiring story of standing up for what's right, this production is sure to have you dancing in your seat.



Tuesday, April 8th

Historical Bus Tour of Greisenheim Locations

Two Times: Bus Departure: 10am & 1pm/ Estimated Return: 12pm & 3pm

Difficulty Rating: Easy / Total Cost: FREE

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel: Sunday, April 6th

Limited- 16 Residents

In honor of our 40th year anniversary we will visit the 3 sites where the heart of Edenwald emerged from. See where the first 18 residents called home. This facility was called “Greisenheim”



which translates to “Old People’s Home.” They moved twice before reaching Towson. Join our tour guide, Arlen St. John, to learn some interesting facts about this journey and how it led us to the vibrant community we are today!

Please note, there are 2 time slots, please only sign up for one.



Thursday, April 10th

Watercolor Society Exhibit at Bernice Kish Gallery

Bus Departure: 9:30am / Estimated Return: 1pm

Difficulty Rating: Easy

Total Cost: FREE

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel: Tuesday, April 8th

Limited- 17 Residents

This exhibit will be part of the Howard County-wide Art's Council 2025 theme of "Blossoms of Hope." Along with the traditional cash prizes awarded by our BWS Juror of awards, a separate juror will also award cash prizes to those artists who best capture this year's theme. Best in Show is \$750, 1st \$500, 2nd \$350, 3rd \$250. Our tour guide will be Sherry Morell.



Tuesday, April 15th

Dental Museum Tour at the University of Maryland

Bus Departure: 9:45am / Estimated Return: 1pm

Difficulty Rating: Easy/Moderate

Total Cost: \$5

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel: Monday, April 7th

Limited- 17 Residents

The Dr. Samuel D. Harris National Museum of Dentistry celebrates the past, present, and future of dentistry while sharing the importance of a healthy mouth in a healthy life. Our exhibitions, programming, and collections capture the often-overlooked history hidden behind your smile and the scientists, tradesmen, and professionals that have shaped the field throughout history.

Located on the site of the University of Maryland’s first “Dental Infirmary and Laboratory Building,” which was then part of the Dental Department in the School of Medicine in 1882, and housed in the University’s second Dental School building erected in 1903, the NMD is located at the heart of the University System of Maryland’s founding campus in Baltimore and at the epicenter of the beginnings of professional dentistry.

The NMD’s extensive 40,000 object collection of dental instruments and equipment, pop culture and personal oral care items, artwork, and everything in between is one of the largest and oldest collections in the world related to dentistry, and one of the reasons Congress designated the museum as the official museum of the dental profession in the United States.



Tuesday, April 22nd

Clara Barton National Historic Site Tour & Lunch at Irish Inn at Glen Echo

Bus Departure: 10am / Estimated Return: 4pm

Difficulty Rating: Moderate

Total Cost: \$10 + Whatever you pay for lunch.

(Residents work out the bill at each table. Bring Cash if able.)

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel: Monday, April 14th

This was a trip that was postponed back in July due to extreme heat.

Limited- 17 Residents

Clarissa Harlowe Barton (December 25, 1821-April 12, 1912) was an American nurse who founded the American Red Cross. This 45-minute tour will explore the many stories of Clara Barton’s amazing life as well as some of the other individuals who lived and served in this unique home.

Clara Barton lived in this home from 1897 until her death in 1912. It served as a home, headquarters, and warehouse to the organization she founded, the American Red Cross. After the tour we will grab lunch. The Irish Inn at Glen Echo has plenty of history...from a family home in the 30s to a biker bar in 80s. Special Note: We will be divided up into 3 tables, each table will have one bill. If possible, please bring cash to make the transaction easier for your table.



Tuesday, April 29th

Cross Keys Shopping, Lunch at Easy Like Sundays & Sherwood Gardens

Bus Departure: 10:15am / Estimated Return: 3pm

Difficulty Rating: Easy/Moderate

Total Cost: Whatever you spend. (Bring cash to work out the lunch bill at your table.)

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel: Tuesday, April 22nd

Limited- 17 residents

Doing a little browsing or shopping at Cross Keys before having some lunch at Easy Like Sunday. This restaurant provides locally sourced fresh ingredients paired with gourmet coffees and cocktails and a relaxing ambience. Family owners and operators, Sean, Anna, and Antonios created Easy Like Sunday to embody everything they love, food, art, culture, style and most importantly brunch! Bringing bits and pieces of the places they've lived and travelled to create Easy Like Sunday. After lunch we will stop at Sherwood Gardens to see the beautiful flowers in bloom.



Sunday, April 27th

Quilt Expo at The Maryland State Fairgrounds

Bus Departure: 12pm/ Estimated Return: 3pm

Difficulty Rating: Easy/Moderate

Total Cost: \$10

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel: Sunday, April 13th

Limited- 14 residents

Join us for an exciting and fun weekend with more than 300 fabulous quilts and fiber arts, classes, demos, and vendors. You won't want to miss our ever-popular Stash-to-Treasure booth where you buy super-discounted fabric, notions, books, and patterns! An onsite food truck will be available. There are places to sit if you would like to bring lunch. Walkers and rollators would work well on this trip.



Save the Date:

Thursday, May 1st

Hillwood Estate, Museum & Gardens & Lunch at Merriweather Café

Bus Departure: 9:30am / Estimated Return: 4pm

Difficulty Rating: Moderate/Difficult

Total Cost: \$65 (Includes Tour & 3 Course Lunch)

Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel Without Being Charged is: Tuesday, April 15th

Limited- 17 residents

Nestled in the hills of Northwest Washington, D.C., Hillwood welcomes visitors from around the world with its gracious hospitality. Escape into an oasis only five miles from downtown Washington and explore the pristine mansion, dine at Merriweather Café, and enjoy the beauty of the formal gardens. We will have the opportunity to explore the garden on our own before meeting for a mansion guided tour. Special Note: Please see the 3 Course Lunch Menu in the registration book. If you sign up for this trip, please see me or Demaris to put in your pre-order for lunch.



Tuesday, May 6th

Flower Shopping at Radebaugh

Bus Departure: 10:15am / Estimated Return: 12pm
 Difficulty Rating: Easy
 Total Cost: Whatever you spend
 Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel: Tuesday, April 29th
Limited- 17 residents

That time of the year again! The bus will take Edenwald residents to Radebaugh for the purchasing of plants. Edenwald residents get a 10% discount on plants that Radebaugh grow. The plants will be delivered after Mother's Day (That date to be determined) for planting. Please sign up if you wish to go. There are still 2 vacant flower boxes available for this year. If you would like a box, contact Marty Wolff at mailbox 1221.



Wednesday, May 7th
Music Man at Toby's Theatre

Bus Departure: 10am / Estimated Return: 3:45pm
 Difficulty Rating: Easy
 Total Cost: \$80.24 (Includes Lunch)
 Last Day To Sign-Up or Cancel Without Being Charged is: Wednesday, April 9th
Limited- 18 residents

This rousing production of "the great All-American musical" follows fast-talking traveling salesman Harold Hill as he promises to invigorate a small Iowa town by selling the idea of a boys' band. Marian, the town librarian, is skeptical until she too falls for his charm. This 6-time Tony Award winning musical features: 76 Trombones, The Wells Fargo Wagon, Trouble, Goodnight My Someone and Till There Was You. THE MUSIC MAN is "Musical comedy at its feel-good best." ~ The New York Times

SPRING 2025 SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

**Please note course description for course start dates*

Monday ONLINE	Tuesday GOUCHER	Wednesday EDENWALD	Thursday GOUCHER	Friday ONLINE
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SESSION II (APRIL 7–MAY 2)

Osher break week is March 31–April 4

9:30 a.m.	It's About Time	Classical Music of England	Clarinetists of the Swing Era	The Disinformation Solution	Fighting Slavery in Early America
11 a.m.	Art of Paul Gauguin (11:15 a.m.)	Heroes of Nonviolence	Baltimore Labor History	Greek Goddesses	Sylvia Plath
1 p.m.	Movie Magic and Monsters	Baltimore and Its River	Eight Plays	Centers of Glass Art	Joan Crawford
2:30 p.m.		History of Women's Fashions	Survey of the Bible		

DID YOU KNOW?

Edenwald is the home of an active and proactive DEIB (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging) Committee. Created 3 years ago, the committee members represent the residents, the staff, and the German board who work to create an atmosphere and attitudes that make Edenwald a welcoming and loving community. Our Edenwald family is made up of a variety of races, ethnicities, religions and social backgrounds. Promoting civility and respect between our residents and staff through education and cultural exchanges is the goal of our committee. You will be invited to these events. Please come and learn. Maybe you've lived a life touched by grace where you have always fit in, were never different and never felt the hurt of discrimination or exclusion. Lucky you! Let's not forget that at Edenwald our very presence in this community makes us part of a family. It is imperative that all of us must be respectful and kind to the others in our Edenwald family.

The Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Committee



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING PART OF A PLAY READING GROUP?

Join new resident, John Manlove on Friday, April 11th, 2-3pm in the Terraces Multipurpose Room. This is the groups second meeting. Come join in the FUN!

RESIDENTS' OPEN MIC DAY!

Friendly reminder that the first Monday of every month will be dedicated to residents that would like to share their expertise and experience with other residents. If you have something which you think would be of interest to other residents and would like to share it, please contact Tina Goudy at 410-339-6017 or tgoudy@edenwald.org

FIRE SAFETY REMINDER

1. If you **are not** in the immediate area of the emergency, and do not have a fire or smell smoke in your area, please **stay in your apartment**. **Keep the door closed and wait for instructions**. Avoid calls to the Front Desk so that the Receptionist will be available to respond to those who need immediate help. **Stay where you are and wait for instructions**.
2. If you have a **fire in your apartment**, please **remain calm!** **Leave your apartment immediately**, **close the door behind you**. **Find nearest fire alarm and pull the alarm**. **Go to the nearest stairwell to wait further instructions**. **HELP IS ON THE WAY!**
3. If you are not in your apartment but instead are in the common area and hear the fire alarm, please **go to the nearest stairwell to wait further instructions**. Remember to remain calm. You will hear an "ALL CLEAR" message when the alarm situation has been deemed safe.

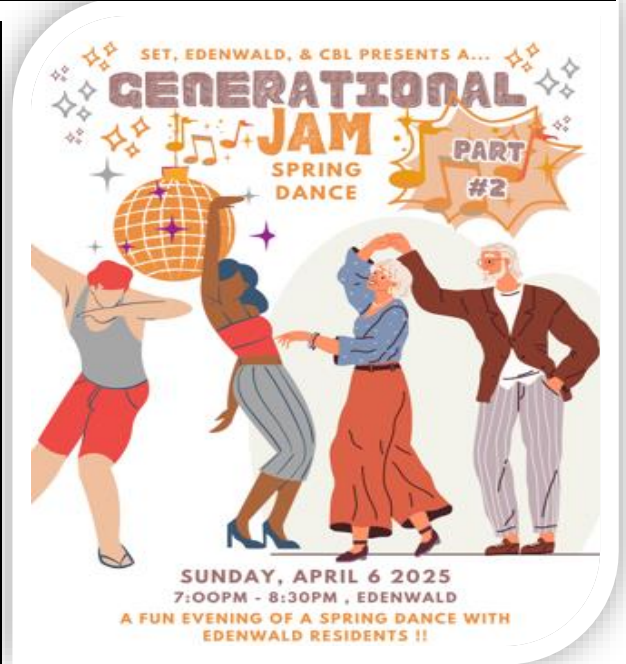
Goucher Updates

April Programs with Goucher Staff & Students



Join Dr. Matt Van Hoose, Associate Vice President for Global, Career, and Community-Based Learning and Assistant Professor of Anthropology Career and Baltimore-Based Learning at Goucher College, for a conversation about our newly formed University-Based Retirement Community (URC). Matt will share insights into the evolving landscape of higher education and provide an overview of Goucher's direction and priorities in 2025. This session is the first in a three-part orientation series for Edenwald residents participating in URC activities for the first time.

Wednesday,
April 23rd
7:30pm
Auditorium



Writing Workshops & Events with Chris Stewart, Faculty-in Residency, Creative Writing **APRIL IS NATIONAL POETRY MONTH!**



Haiku Competition (open to all residents and staff)

Spring is the perfect time to celebrate poetry, and nothing says spring like a haiku! Write a haiku as a short ode to the season, or a pet, a person, a place, a favorite food, movie, book. A haiku is three lines following a 5-7-5 syllable format (Line 1=5 syllables. Line 2=7 syllables. Line 3=5 syllables.) Rhyming is optional.

Entries will be shared anonymously and voted on by the community. The top three will be published in the Edentimes, and the poets will receive an engraving of their poem. Deadlines for entry: April 14th to the entry box by the bulletin board.

Tea and Poetry: Friday, April 4th, 3-4:30pm in the Terraces Multipurpose Room

An afternoon of favorite poems with tea and scones. Share a work by a favorite poet or one of your own poems. A writing exercise will be offered for those interested. To celebrate National Poetry Month, we will take some time during the session for a fun, special project to share with the community.

Memoir Writing: Crafting personal Stories Through Reflection and Insight **Thursdays: 11am-12:30pm in the Terraces Multipurpose Room**

Participants explore the art of capturing life's most meaningful moments through writing. Preserve family history, reflect on pivotal personal and historical experiences, or simply share your unique perspective. This workshop provides a supportive environment to turn memories into compelling "snapshots" or stories. No prior writing experience is necessary. One-on-one consultations are also available.

Weekly Write-Ins

Mondays, 7-8pm (New Time!) in the Terraces Multipurpose Room

Join creative, informal write-ins each week! Bring your writing-in progress to work on or for those needing inspiration, respond to prompts and exercises. Drop in and out at any time. At the end of the session, writers who wish to share will be invited to read a brief part of their pieces.

Workshop with Dr. Joan McMahon, Professor Emerita, Towson University & Chris Stewart, Faculty-in-Residence, Creative Writing

Treasured Memories: Storytelling Workshop with Family & Friends Session One: Sundays, April 6th, May 4th, June 1st, July 6th and August 3rd in the Café 1-3pm

In these sessions residents invite family and friends to celebrate and preserve stories and memories through interviews using thoughtfully crafted questions to encourage meaningful conversations, sparked by photos, mementoes, and keepsakes. Residents and their families/friends will create, and compile personalized “envelope books” capturing the highlights of each interview—an enduring treasure for generations to come. Celebrate family, history, and connection! Residents will have the opportunity to record a story for StoryCorps, an oral storytelling archive housed in the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress.

Schedule:

April 6th- Orientation, Introduction to Supplies & Getting Started

April 20th, May 4th & June 1st- Collecting Stories/Photos, Writing about Memories

July 6th and August 3rd- Start Compiling the “Envelope Book.”

If you are interested in learning more and/or participating in any programs led by Chris Stewart, please email her at edenwaldwriters@gmail.com, or leave a note in mailbox #1017.

American Sign-Language Class with Diane Rehling, Faculty-in Residency

Wednesdays at 7pm, Fridays at 10am & Saturdays at 11am (WE ADDED A CLASS!) Terraces Multipurpose Room

American Sign Language Skills for Basic, Everyday Conversation

Why learn ASL? You don't need a reason learn a new language other than to build your brain and keep those neurons firing! ASL is different from spoken languages because of the brain and hand connection. It relies on visual and spatial processing.

The visual and kinesthetic nature of sign language can improve memory and information retention. You may develop better reaction time and peripheral vision. Science has proven that it enhances memory, focus, creativity, and delays cognitive decline.

Our class is fun, slow paced, and social. Just bring your curiosity. You'll leave every class having learned something new.

If you are interested in learning more and/or participating in any programs led by Diane Rehling, please call her at 443-797-3509.

Welcome New Employees



Jalayiah Howell is a part-time Dining Server. She is currently a junior at City Neighbors High School. Jalayiah spent her summers working as a teacher's assistant with Youthworks. She also volunteers at the University of Maryland Medical Center in the Mother/Baby Unit.

Demaris Alston has returned to Edenwald as an Activities Programming Assistant. She is now married and a proud mother to a beautiful daughter. In her spare time, she enjoys cooking, roller skating, and learning new languages. She also teaches English to foreign learners and had the incredible experience of teaching abroad. Currently, she is pursuing a Human Resources certification. Demaris looks forward to contributing to Edenwald again.



Doris Gavin joined us as a part-time GNA. Doris has three children. One of her hobbies is pretending she can sing in the shower! She enjoys doing hair, making her house a home, and taking care of people. When Doris was 15 years old, she helped to care for her aunt. This started her on the path to becoming a GNA. Doris also enjoys cooking and listening to music.

Jameel Fortune joined us as the Director of Environmental Services. Jameel has three children and one granddaughter. His youngest daughter is about to graduate from high school and will be attending Stevenson University. Jameel was born and raised in West Baltimore and currently resides in Pikesville. He has over 20 years of leadership experience in Housekeeping with extensive experience in senior living. Jameel considers himself to be a conversationalist. He enjoys reading murder mystery novels and watching Baltimore sports. He is also known to follow the Lakers.



Marvin Blue joined as a full-time Floor Technician. He has a teenage son, and they enjoy playing sports together. Marvin is a huge Ravens fan, and he enjoys watching all the games during football season.

Leo Alston is our part-time Driver. Leo considers himself to be an enthusiastic person who gets along with everyone. He's married and has four sons. In his spare time, he enjoys watching movies, playing video games, and cooking.



Gretta Zinski is our full-time Fitness Trainer. Gretta is also a dance instructor. Gretta enjoys the summer months and lots of sunshine. In her spare time, she enjoys info boxing, arts and crafts, and crochet. She also enjoys painting designs on walls.

Quaron Morgan joined us as a part-time Utility Worker. He is currently a freshman at Loch Raven High School. Quaron has two sisters and one brother. In his spare time, he enjoys playing football. Quaron's goal is to go into the military, possibly the Air Force, to become a pilot.



Welcome New Employees



Shanetrica Chester joined us as the MDS Coordinator and Assistant Director of Nursing. Shanetrica comes to us with more than 11 years of nursing experience. She has five children ranging in age from 1 to 14. Although she has a busy life, she and her husband have a date night at least once a month. Shanetrica is also taking courses to become a Mental Health Nurse Practitioner. In her spare time, she enjoys being with her children.

Sharon Thomas is our Activities Assistant for Hoerichs Hall. Sharon is originally from Boston and moved to Maryland in 2018. She's family oriented and has three children, two daughters and one son. In her spare time, Sharon is a singer/songwriter and has recorded her music on social media. She likes to volunteer at her church and at local food banks. She enjoys seeing people happy!



John Butler is our full-time Security Officer. John enjoys maintaining his health and fitness and works out at the gym on a regular basis. John is also an animal lover. In his spare time, he enjoys volunteering at animal shelters.

AuTymn Griffin is a part-time Server. She is currently attending Community College of Baltimore County to be a Radiologist. In her spare time, she likes to bake and make treats for her friends and family. She is the oldest daughter of eight siblings. AuTymn describes herself as "very social."



Kaleb Bethea is a part-time Server. He is currently in his senior year at Towson High School. In his spare time, he enjoys skateboarding which is his main means of transportation these days! Kaleb also enjoys listening to music. He hopes to enter the modeling field after high school.

Honesty Nwachuku is a part-time Server. She is currently in her senior year at Dulaney High School. She plans to attend college and major in Psychology. She hasn't decided which school to attend, but she is excited for the next chapter in her life.



K'lynn Taylor is a part-time Server. She is currently in her sophomore year at Western High School. She hopes to get a job in real estate after high school. K'lynn didn't have the opportunity to spend much time with her own grandparents, so she's looking forward to meeting our residents and working with them. In her spare time, she enjoys baking and cooking. She considers herself "mature for her age" and "kind to others."

Mkaiya Moore is a part-time Café Worker. She is currently a Junior at Bard High School. She is planning to become a Midwife and is looking forward to working at Edenwald. In her spare time, Mkaiya loves to sing and cook. She enjoys being with her friends and family, going to church, and catching up on her sleep. Mkaiya has a brother and a sister and a Shitsu Yorkie mix named Coco.



Shana West joined us a part-time Licensed Practical Nurse for Stroh Hall. She just took the RN Boards and is waiting patiently for her results. Shana is the daughter of our long-tenured nurse, Kecha McCorry. In her spare time, she enjoys shopping and tasting food from different cultures. Shana recently gave birth to a beautiful daughter!