

Morning Meditation from Pastor Joan

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.” (Joshua 1:9)

When Moses died, God gave Joshua the responsibility of leading the children of Israel to the promised land. This was a frightening prospect for Joshua for a couple of reasons. He was going to be leading a stubborn people. They had demonstrated this stubborn streak in the wilderness under Moses' leadership (Exodus 14:11-12), and he was going to be leading them into unfamiliar enemy territory. Put simply, Joshua had no clue what he was doing.

Joshua was uncertain that he could rise to the task, but God commanded Joshua to go forth saying, **“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.”** God tells Joshua both **what to be** and **what not to be**. One state drives out the other. Genuine spiritual courage drives out fear, because the two states cannot co-exist at the same time. Joshua assumed the leadership role, not because he trusted in his own leadership experience or capabilities, but because he trusted in the character of the God who made the promise. The one who said, **“I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses (Joshua 1:3) and as “I was with Moses, so I will be with you: I will never leave you nor forsake you (Joshua 1:5).”**

If you are facing a challenging leadership situation, do what Joshua did. Align yourself with God's Word and truth. That's the foundation for your success. Then lean on his promises. In the words of Paul to the Philippians, remember you and I can do all things through Christ who strengthens us (paraphrase Phil. 4:13). If God has called you to your role, he will also equip you fully for it. Therefore, be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid and do not be discouraged.

Have a courageous week doing what God has called you to do.

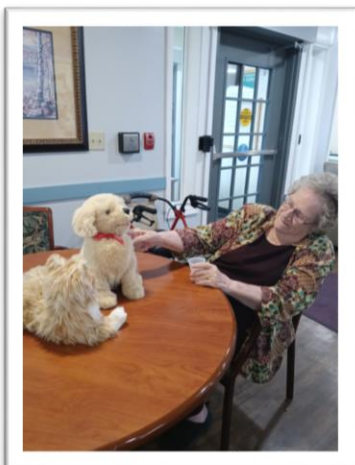
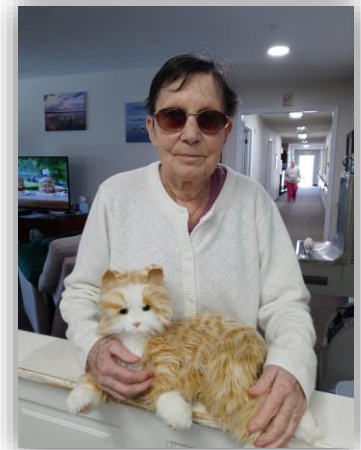
Blessings!

Pastor Joan

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Furry Friends Come to Fountain View

The residents at Fountain View were surprised and excited to receive two adorable animatronic pets from a very sweet and generous donor. These animals, though not real, sound just like the real thing and are super cuddly. They make great companions and we were blessed to receive them.



August 2023

Fremont Fountain View

Name of your community | Address | Phone number | Other information



Management at your service

“Baruch Senior Ministries seeks to honor God by serving people as they age.”

Administrator
Shelley McDonald

Resident Care Manager
Latasha Robinson

Activity Director
Nicole Wandzilak

Director of Food Service
Lorraine Wellman

Director of
Housekeeping
Sue Cotton

Director of Maintenance
David McDonald

Pastor
Joan Cornelison

Desert Mirage

Each August, Nevada's Black Rock Desert becomes home to a “pop-up” city of 80,000 people. The cultural phenomenon known as Burning Man will take place from August 27 to September 4 this year, and then the crowds will leave as spontaneously as they arrived, and the desert will return to its emptiness as if nothing ever happened.

What is Burning Man? Although there is plenty of music and art, it is not a music or arts festival. There are no stages or lineups of performers, and there are certainly no vendors hawking souvenirs. Nothing is for sale, and there are no profits to be made. Instead, the 80,000 attendees flock to the desert in a pilgrimage of self-expression. For nine days, the desert becomes a community of individuals dedicated to expressing themselves to the fullest. People erect their own art installations, stage their own performances, roam about in fanciful costumes, fly homemade flags, and help each other survive the harshness of the desert environment. With no stores nearby to furnish supplies, every attendee is required to bring their own survival necessities, including plenty of water and sunscreen. No one can be an anonymous spectator. All attendees are expected to be fully-engaged participants.

Why do tens of thousands of so-called “Burners” return to Burning Man year after year? For many, the event is a sanctuary of artistic self-expression, a communal expression of hope for the best that humanity has to offer. The camp-like atmosphere is eccentric, exciting, liberating, and dangerous, all at the same time. At Burning Man, all the trappings of competition and the accumulation of wealth are void. Burners practice community by being fully engaged with others. The desert has long been a setting of spiritual growth and regenerative power. For many who experience Burning Man, their lives are forever changed. The experience culminates with the burning of a massive wooden effigy, the Burning Man himself, a ritual that symbolizes the destruction of the old and birth of the new.

Working at the Car Wash

For the month of July, we hosted a car wash fundraiser on Fridays. We were thankful to have some good weather and appreciated all of the support.



Birthday Blessings



Celebrating a birthday milestone is Ruth (pictured left) who celebrated her 90th Birthday July 24th

Wasn't able to get a photo, but Linda S was also blessed with a visit from family for her birthday. And birthday cake. She was quite surprised indeed.



**3X Bowling Champion and winner of personalized trophy:
Congratulations Luke**



**First Time Bowling Champion:
Congratulations Jane**



Ice Cream Social



August Event Reminders

Yard Sale

Thursday and Friday
August 10th and 11th

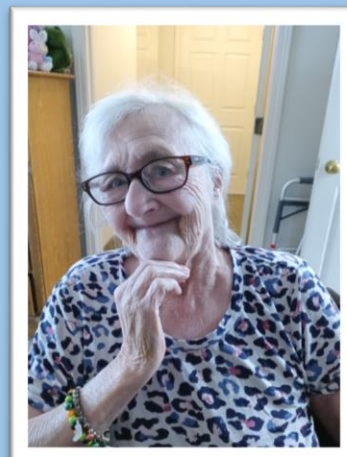
Donations can be brought in the day
before on the 9th

Family Picnic: Carnival

Friday August 18th
4pm-7pm

For any questions call 231-924-5050 and ask for
Nicole or Shelley

August Resident of the Month



Harriet George

Harriet is not only sweet, but has a great sense of humor, and smiles and laughs all the time. She brings so much joy to residents and staff. She is a welcomed addition to Fountain View. Congratulations Harriet.

Lincoln's Penny

In 1909, the United States Mint produced the first coin ever to depict a president: Abraham Lincoln. When the Lincoln penny was launched on August 2, the public immediately took exception to the inclusion of a strange set of initials on the reverse face: V.D.B. Three days later, on August 5, Secretary of the Treasury Franklin MacVeagh suspended production of the coin and ordered the removal of the initials. Only 484,000 of these V.D.B. pennies were struck, of which only 40,000 exist in mint condition today. They remain some of the most sought-after coins by collectors.



In 1905, President Theodore Roosevelt organized a commission to redesign the national currency. He contacted famed sculptor August Saint-Gaudens, requesting that Saint-Gaudens create coinage resembling the beautiful coins of ancient Greece. While Saint-Gaudens designed both the \$20 and \$10 gold coins, the artist succumbed to cancer in 1907, having never lived to see his designs minted. Although Saint-Gaudens died, Roosevelt's dream of a new currency did not. Next, Roosevelt turned to artist Victor David Brenner—V.D.B.

Brenner was one of America's preeminent metal workers. Prior to his work on the penny, Brenner created a bas-relief plaque of Lincoln based on a Civil War-era photograph taken by Mathew Brady. Roosevelt was incredibly impressed with the Lincoln bas-relief. Moreover, Roosevelt greatly admired Lincoln, considering him the savior of the Union and the Republicans' greatest president, even considering himself the heir of Lincoln's political legacy. No wonder Roosevelt wanted Lincoln's bust on the penny.

Brenner's Lincoln bust, which still graces the penny today, remains the longest-running design in U.S. Mint history. Though they were removed in 1909, Brenner's initials were again added to the penny in 1918, this time below Lincoln's shoulder. While other collectible pennies are worth more, the V.D.B. penny's artistic and historical status amongst collectible coins makes it one of the most desirable.

August Birthdays

Residents:

Scott Reum.....8-4-1960

Luke Kimes.....8-7-1960

Staff:

David McDonald....8-12



Anniversaries

Nicole Wandzilak (Staff)

8-15-2018

5 Years

Thank you to all those who donated peanut butter for Hand to Hand Ministries for the students at Fremont Schools. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

*Thank
You*