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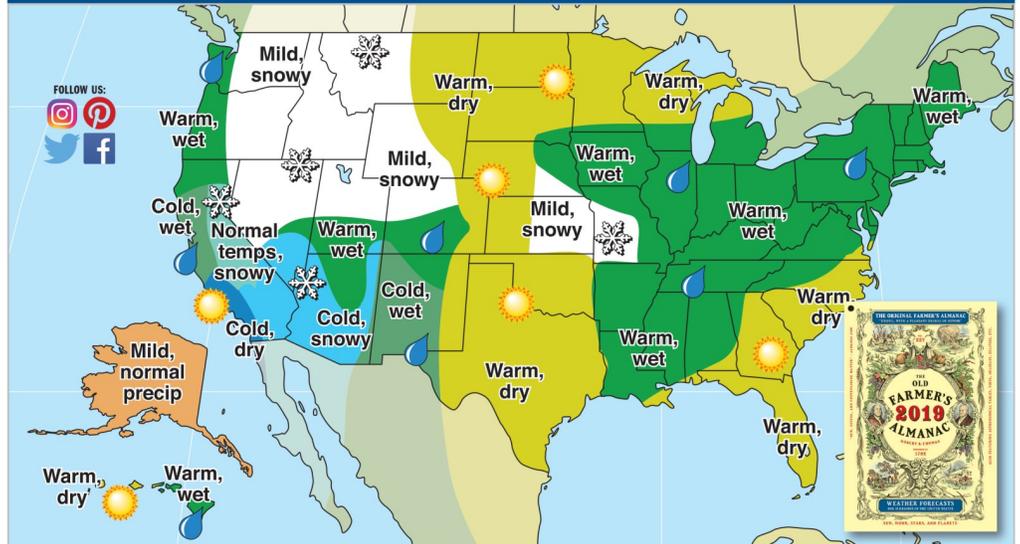
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The University of Delaware sure looks pretty in the snow and ice. In fact, it was listed as number 5 on the list of 50 Most Beautiful College Campuses in Winter by the website, Best College Values.

THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC WEATHER MAP FOR WINTER 2018-19



But, if the Old Farmer's Almanac is right, we'll have more rain than snow this winter...

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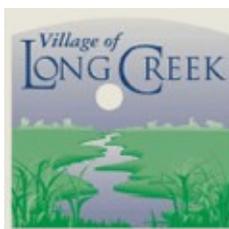
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KNOW THE SNOW (2018-2019)

Please READ CAREFULLY and RETAIN FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

BrightView (BV), will be providing our snow removal services this winter. Snow removal will be performed with the approval and direction of the VOLC MC Board. Actual interface with BV will be handled by a Board designate, normally a Snow Co-Chair, or IPS (our management company). BV is permitted and encouraged to work nights as needed during snow events. BV typically provides 6 - 8 or more workers who arrive within 2 hours after it stops snowing.

Lot Services for Driveways and Sidewalks: In general, snow removal is authorized for accumulations exceeding 1 inch. This is a judgment decision as in some cases rain or other events may result in removal without our assistance. Vehicles in driveways should be placed in garages if possible.

For the Streets: Snow removal generally starts if the accumulation is greater than 3 inches. The Board may elect to plow snow in streets if less than 3 inches has fallen.

Ice and Freezing slush: The board may elect to start removal early during an ice or freezing slush event to minimize subsequent frozen quantities. The board may elect not to remove ice, or freezing slush from road-side sidewalks depending on quantities and difficulty and, instead, concentrate on driveways and sidewalks to the house. In some situations, ice will simply be allowed to melt.

Typically, no salt/ice melt is used. Home owners may elect to use salt/ice melts on their own sidewalks and driveways. The board is reviewing the potential use of salt/ice melt for extreme icing events for driveways and sidewalks. You will be notified if a community-wide salt/ice melt is planned and an opt-out will be permitted. A special opt out symbol/flag placement will be used to opt out of BV salt/ice melt but still receive snow removal. This flag/symbol placement will be determined in further discussion with our contractor, so we will have no confusion, and you will be notified.

Red flags along driveway or walkway edges would indicate a total opt out - **NO snow/ice/slush removal service.** Sidewalks parallel to the street will be done for community safety. In addition, residents and snow birds should contact the Snow Hotline (302) 455-8428 or volc.rocks@gmail.com if they wish a total opt-out of snow removal services.

A bobcat with rubber tires and tough plastic blade tips increases the speed of snow removal. However, the bobcat also may, on occasion, cause some damage to surrounding lawns and other areas. Bobcats will only be used on the driveways and never on sidewalks.

Scratching/rubbing of driveway surfaces and sealants are considered normal wear and tear. On sidewalks only hand shoveling or blowing is done. Trucks with plows and hard plastic tips will normally only be used on the streets. During heavy snow fall, trucks with plastic edge plows may be used for a center pull of snow down the driveway onto the street.

Snow stakes will be used by BV to mark edges of driveways, walks, etc. These stakes, purchased and owned by VOLC, will be removed in the spring and saved by BrightView.

Damage to walkways/sidewalks/driveways/other should be reported when observed, with pictures to Kim at IPS 302-994-3907 ext. 2. kim@ipsde.com Damage to the grass should also be reported as it is noticed. At the end of the snow season, a full list will be provided to the snow removal company. Grass repair will take place at the same time as spring clean-up.

Guidelines will be provided to BV addressing such issues as snow removal by the mail boxes, at the handi-capped sidewalk ramps, driveway hand shovel edging and other issues raised by the residents.

VOLC Snow Hotline phone number is: (302) 455-8428. This line also receives voice & text messages and will ring/text forward to the cell phones for designated members of the snow removal team.

Steve Brubaker and Robert Leaming - Snow Co-Chairs / Eric Dean - Board Grounds Liaison

FRIENDS AND FAMILY...



Loretta Dougherty's granddaughter, Charlotte, shows off her Halloween costume and furry shoes...

Below- Dot Dube, Cheryl Werner's Mom, doles out candy to pre-school trick or treaters at Regal Heights Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center, her new residence.



Joan Dreibelbis sells her hand-made goods at the Conrad Alumni Association Craft Show.

Jean and Tom Skelly are very involved with the organization and sold Conrad gear at the show.



Above - Pumpkin Man, Jeff Powers, Jim and JoanMarie's son, and his creative jack-o-lantern.



(Friends, Family cont.)



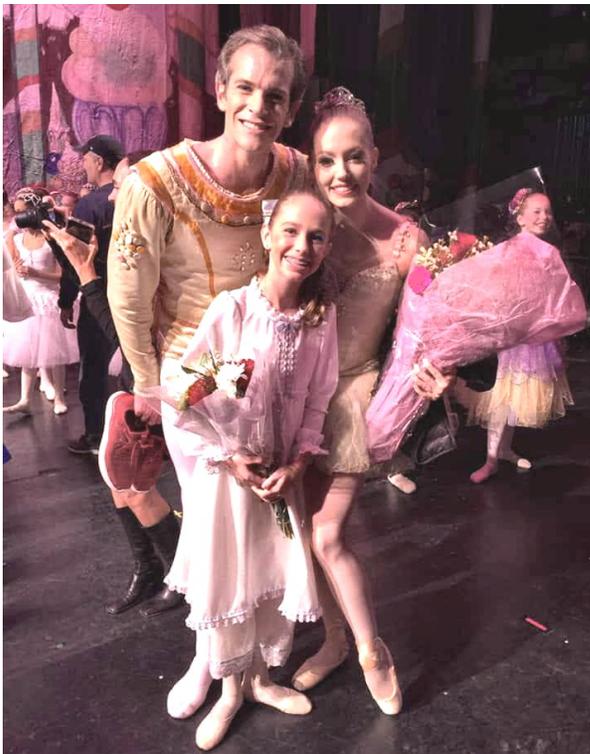
At left - Nancy Halbedl's grandchildren, Annie (age 5) and Daniel (age 3) Halbedl at their day-care Halloween parade.



Above, Nancy's granddaughter, Liz, is the drum major for the band at Conrad High School and her brother, Robert, below left, plays the trumpet. They're shown as they performed at the senior recognition football game. Liz also plays alto sax, soprano sax, clarinet and tuba. She hopes to play in the band at University of DE and major in animal science in preparation to become a vet. She now works part time as a vet technician at Limestone Animal Hospital.



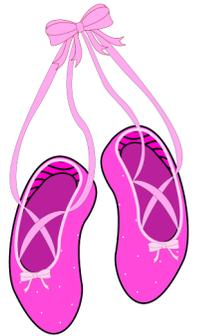
Jeff Powers, (at right) an avid biker, is shown next to a statue of Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, the Commander in Chief during WW II which stands outside the National Museum of the Pacific War in Fredericksburg Texas. Jeff wrote his mom on October 17, that "We're in Fredericksburg Texas, right in the middle of all the flooding!" The group made the most of their time in the Houston area, but conditions never improved enough for them to continue riding. The trip was called off and they all returned home.



In December, Jean and Tom Skelly's granddaughter, Natalie, danced the role of Clara in the Wilmington Ballet production of The Nutcracker at The Playhouse on Rodney Square .

Jean reports that Natalie has worked hard at the dance she loves and was excited to have moved up after several years to the lead role. She loved meeting and working with the professional dancers who are part of the troupe.

Grandma and Grandpa were excited and proud too! In a completely unbiased, grandparently way, they thought Natalie was the best Clara they'd ever seen!



At right - Joan and Ron Dreibelbis, Christine Killian, Loretta and Gene Fitch, and Jean and Tom Skelly enjoyed a Delaware Express trip to Atlantic City.





Paxton Bifano on his way from Colorado to Nana and Pop Pop's house for Christmas.



There's no mistaking the holiday cheer in this picture!

Bernard Aresu and his son, Christophe are shown at a family gathering in Cincinnati. Christophe's suit was a big hit!



Travel agent, Carol Thompson, and husband, Donnie, enjoyed the many pleasures of TRS All Inclusive Resort in Costa Mujeres , México .



And the year ended as it began - VOLC resident birds drying themselves after a rain.



Right - JoanMarie and Jim Powers' granddaughter, Valerie, is shown feeding a 3 week old male camel at the Royal Camel Farm in Bahrain. A well-known tourist sight in the area, the farm was created by the King of Bahrain, Sheik Mohammad, as a means of preserving camels. Top left - Valerie's husband, Mark .



It appears the time-change and touring caught up with Valerie and Mark. Even Laddie, John's dog, was all tired out!

Valerie is the daughter of Powers son, John, who has worked in Saudi Arabia for almost 5 years. Valerie and Mark were visiting him.



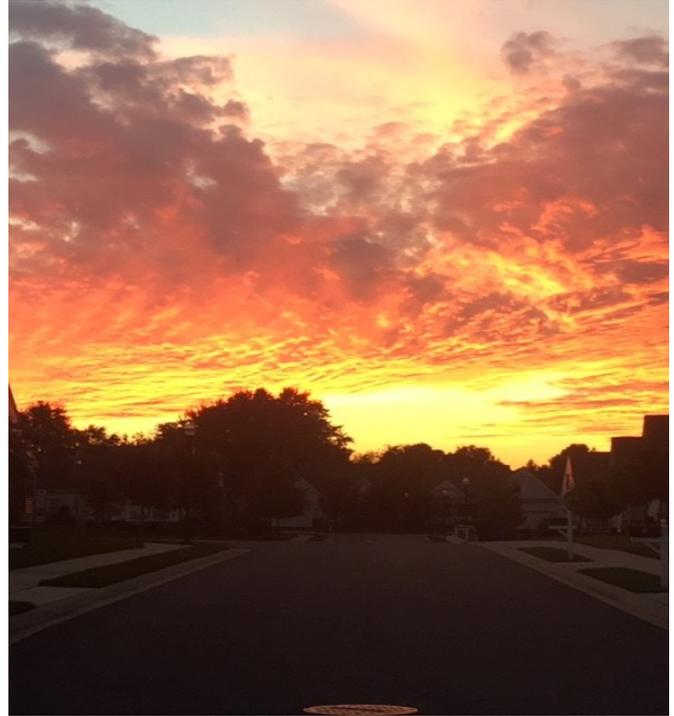
Above and at left, Donnie and Carol Thompson's grandchildren, Noah, Colin and Ava on Christmas Eve.



OCTOBER - BEAUTIFYING THE VOLC - COURTESY OF MOTHER NATURE



Dawn



Sunset - Photo by Susan Brubaker



Sunset - Photo by Jean Skelly



OCTOBER - BEAUTIFYING THE VOLC - COURTESY OF VOLC RESIDENTS



Linda Trach and Mim Krout are shown with the VOLC entry sign - sharing a laugh and discussing what might be done next to expand upon the improvements they've already made.

As you approach the VOLC on Paxson Lane, the sign for the community comes into clear view. It's the only identifying marker for our lovingly maintained neighborhood. However, after more than ten years, the sign had become overgrown with trees, shrubs, and dirt, and looked anything but inviting.

Enter the VOLC beautification team! In 2017, Tom Novak and Linda Trach cut back the worst of the arborvitae branches covering the sign. Then, over the summer, Linda meticulously and painstakingly painted it.

When Fall '18 arrived, Mim Krout wondered what more might be done to spruce up our logo. She loved the idea of flowers as seen in other developments, so she got to work. Mim cut back even more, pulled out dead shrubs and branches, filling four oversized yard waste bags. That gave her room for three pretty mums which provide colorful texture to the once-neglected area.

Thank you, Linda, Mim, and Tom. Your efforts above and beyond are well appreciated!



Our favorite spots for fresh-baked treats and old-fashioned surprises

BY JENNIFER CHAPPELL SMITH | TYPOGRAPHY BY CHRIS VINCA

DELAWARE

Bing's Bakery NEWARK

Originating in 1871 as Fader's Bakery, this award-winning spot has a heritage as rich as the filling in its cannoli. Under new ownership, it became Bing's in 1946, and

now this local landmark belongs to head baker Tom Guzzi and his wife, Carla, who has long supported his dream of owning a bakery. "Tom was hired by Mrs. Bing, and he worked for her for 10 years," Carla says. "She hand-selected Tom and me to carry on her legacy." Devoted and passionate

about making the business the very best it can be, the Guzzis kept the name Bing's but decided to turn to Buddy Valastro—who's known as the "Cake Boss" on TLC's hit television show—for advice on how to bring the 147-year-old establishment into the 21st century. Featured on Valastro's show *Buddy's*

Bakery Rescue, Bing's has a new focus on e-commerce and product expansion into area grocery stores. But the locals still enjoy coming to this bakery in person for the experience: Look inside the case to see rows of cannoli oozing with filling; marvel at the decadent cream pies, the classic black-and-white cookies, and (of course) the flaky pastries. Carla says her personal favorites are the scratch-made, square pound cake and the tasty Raspberry Stripes (made of puff pastry that's filled with a tangy-sweet berry glacé). "Buddy gave those a 10," she says.

**Newark's own
Bing's Bakery
was featured
in the October
issue of
Southern
Living
Magazine.**



Lottery Dreams...



What would you do if you won?

In October, JoanMarie Powers organized a VOLC entry into the Mega Millions Lottery, worth, at that time, 1.6 billion dollars! While, sadly, we didn't the win millions, we did a lot of dreaming!

Responses to the question, "What would you do if you won the Lottery, could be divided into FOUR major themes:

Family - All respondents said they'd help family first.

Mary Legreid - "Pay for my grandsons' education."

Carolyn Aresu - "We would have bought a house in DC for our son and daughter-in-law and sent some of the winnings to our family."

Barbara Strasser - "Pay off all student loans within the family, down the line to include nieces and nephews, and insure that our grandchildren would have enough money to attend and graduate from the college or tech school of their choice."

Charity - All respondents said they would donate to charities, church, and/or fund special interests.

Sharon Dickol - "I think I'd really like to do something meaningful, like, start a foundation for family caregivers or support research for an Alzheimer's cure."

Tom Skelly - "I'd like to make a dent on getting homeless vets off the street."

Indulgences - Most folks had ideas for money left over from helping others.

Barb Doto - "A vacation home. Maybe in the Poconos or even Maine. Joe would want to go someplace that's hot in the winter and I would want to go somewhere that was cool in the summer. With that much money, maybe we will buy one of each. I'm dreaming big!"

Brook Kortvelesy - "...chauffeur and chef, beach house, personal trainer, random acts of kindness...."

Susan Brubaker - "Hire a chauffeur and a pilot - of course the appropriate motorized vehicles would be included."

And the Clubhouse - Several folks said they'd expand our clubhouse. Some even said they'd plow down the current one and start new!!!

We may not have won, but the dreaming was fun...

**Dream
Big!**

Phone Fraud is Bigger Than Ever

From AARP

FOR AS LONG as there have been telephones, there have been crooks trying to call and steal your money. What is new is the sheer volume of unsolicited calls that Americans endure each year – over 29 billion in 2016 alone by one estimate, including lots of potential rip-offs. No wonder fraud complaints have increased nearly 60 percent since 2010, according to the Federal Trade Commission. Scams are continuing to show up across the country this year.



Here are some of the most common:

The IRS scam

The voice on the other end of the line claims to be an IRS criminal investigator. Arrest is imminent if you don't immediately pay thousands of dollars in back taxes. Individuals are instructed to put \$500 on multiple iTunes gift cards and give up the 16-digit codes. Don't be fooled. The IRS would never ask a taxpayer to buy iTunes cards for any reason.

Computer Caper

Internet scam artists create little boxes that pop up on your computer screen, telling you that you have a virus and need to call for technical support. Don't believe it. Computer companies never notify customers of a problem through pop-ups, unless it is from virus-protection software that you installed.

The Fake Sheriff

You get a call from someone posing as a sheriff's deputy claiming you've missed jury duty and owe the county a \$1,000 fine. Pay immediately, the caller says, or you will go to jail. Rest assured, no sheriff or court will call you and demand payment like this for missing jury duty. If you get this call, hang up, then call the police and report it.

Lottery Fraud

A con artist calls and tells you that you have won the Australian (or Jamaican) lottery. All you have to do to collect is wire \$1,500. Don't do it. Lotteries never call to give money to people who haven't even bought a ticket.

Credit Card Con

You get a call from your bank that there is a problem with your account. To straighten it out they need your account number, date of birth and the last four digits of your Social Security number. Hang up. This is a scam to get information to hack your account.

Keep reading on the next page for a fraud alert from the Delaware State police.

Delaware State Police issue warning about Dover-related phone scam

Dec 18th, 2018 · by Delaware State News · *Thanks to Martha Eskridge for this info*

Delaware State Police issued an advisory on Monday in response to a recent phone scam involving a “spoofed phone number.”

Authorities were made aware of two incidents in which individuals received a phone call from a female claiming to be an agent from Dover. The caller identified herself as agent Lisa Smith and provided a badge number - #K4L14799.

The caller advised the victims that an abandoned vehicle was found in Texas with their name and social security number. The caller then provided the victims with several addresses and asked them to confirm where they have resided in the past. She said that if they did not provide her with the information she was seeking, she would send the police to their residence immediately. The caller suggested that the victims look up the phone number she was calling from so that they would see that it is in fact a Delaware State Police issued phone number. The number had been “spoofed.”

DSP said **caller ID spoofing** is when a caller deliberately falsifies the information transmitted to your caller ID display to disguise their identity. You may see a legitimate number. Spoofing is often used as part of an attempt to trick someone into giving away valuable personal information so it can be used in fraudulent activity or sold illegally.

The Federal Communications Commission has provided the following tips to avoid spoofing scams:

- Since you may not be able to tell if the call is legitimate or if the number is spoofed, be extremely careful about responding to any request for personal identifying information.
- Don't answer calls from unknown numbers. If you answer such a call, hang up immediately.
- If you answer the phone and the caller - or a recording - asks you to hit a button to stop getting the calls, you should just hang up. Scammers often use this trick to identify potential targets.
- Do not respond to any questions, especially those that can be answered with “Yes” or “No.”
- Never give out personal information such as account numbers, Social Security numbers, mother's maiden names, passwords or other identifying information in response to unexpected calls or if you are at all suspicious.



(Delaware State Police warning cont.)

- Use caution if you are being pressured for information immediately.
- If you have a voice mail account with your phone service, be sure to set a password for it. Some voicemail services are preset to allow access if you call in from your own phone number. A hacker could spoof your home phone number and gain access to your voice mail if you do not set a password.
- If you get an inquiry from someone who says they represent a company or a government agency, hang up and call the phone number on your account statement, in the phone book, or on the company's or government agency's website to verify the authenticity of the request. You will usually get a written statement in the mail before you get a phone call from a legitimate source, particularly if the caller is asking for a payment.

Talk to your phone company about call blocking tools they may have and check into apps that you can download to your mobile device to block unwanted calls. Information on available robocall blocking tools is available at fcc.gov/robocalls.

This information was provided through the Federal Communications Commission online at www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/spoofing-and-caller-id.

Many of these scams are difficult to investigate, DSP said. They will target persons of all age groups. DSP are asking citizens to remember the tips previously mentioned in order to not become a victim of one of these scam artists.

If you suspect you have been a victim of this scam, DSP said to contact your local law enforcement agency. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or online at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.



*Here's to a Happy, Healthy,
Prosperous, And
SAFE New Year!*

At Home

With Susan and Steve Brubaker

A Life of Service...

Walking through Susan and Steve Brubaker's home is like reading a journal of their respective families and their life together. There's the latch-hook wall hanging and the needlepoint chair seats from Susan's mom in the dining room, the portrait of Susan's grandparents' farm in Ohio, and the gorgeous dulcimer from Steve's sister that merits a prominent spot in the great room. There are even hand tools from Africa and innumerable pieces from Brazil, China and Kenya. The house is full of hand-made and meaningful items and every piece has a story.



Their 50th wedding anniversary is coming soon, and in the comfort of their great room, warmed by a pot belly stove, Steve and Susan have researched, discussed, and have ultimately decided to celebrate the event in The Bahamas with family. Their children, grandchildren and Susan's brother will be joining them at a rented beach house for a week's celebration. Today, as they look back to the beginning and tell the story of their married life, they finish each other's sentences and add detail to each other's comments. They agree that it all began at the University of Cincinnati, whereupon graduation, they decided to enter the Peace Corps. After training and learning Portuguese for their mission, they married and went to Brazil. Piles of scrapbooks illustrate their adventures from their one-year stint, and pleasant memories spill out, including the one of Steve biking miles for peanut butter (still a culinary addiction.) Upon learning of Susan's pregnancy, they returned to Ohio, and Steve searched for work at a "real job" as an engineer. The birth of their daughter



Monica, who lives with her four children here in Newark, was quickly followed by son Luke, who lives in Idaho, and daughter Elizabeth, who served four years as a navy nurse and now lives in Arizona.

After a first job in Parsippany, NJ, the Brubakers arrived in Delaware in 1972, with Steve first at Hercules and then DuPont, from which he retired in 2010. Susan built a successful career teaching, first at Caravel Academy and then in Cecil County public schools, as counselor, supervisor and principal of North East Elementary. After retirement, the big house in Caravel Farms with the large yard became more than they cared to maintain. They visited church friends here in the VOLC, saw a house for sale, and the rest as they say, is history.

Retirement from jobs, however, never meant retirement from "work" for either Susan or Steve. They immediately got involved with the VOLC community. Most notably, Susan served on the Executive Board and Steve took on the Grounds Committee chair. With more flexible time, their commitment to church activities increased, both here at St. Margaret of Scotland Parish and in Idaho. Susan is a member of the Francis de Sales Association and once organized a retreat for ninety people. Steve serves as a church usher, and is still active as a volunteer. For three years, he organized Materials Science camps for teachers at the University of Delaware.



The couple has traveled extensively, several of their trips being church pilgrimages to Israel, Poland, Rome, Fatima, and Lourdes. There were also the trips to South America inspired by their time in Brazil and lots of international travel related to family. Susan's brother lives in London, opening the door to more of Europe. They visited Kenya because daughter Elizabeth worked in an orphanage there.



Japan was the destination when daughter Monica lived there, running a jewelry enterprise, named Susan's Pearls, after her mom. Latin America made the travel list because Luke spent time in Bolivia as a second generation Peace Corps volunteer. He wanted to practice his Spanish and act as a culture guide for his parents. Five years ago, they even met friends they'd made in Brazil at Disney World.

Susan and Steve love being close to the grandchildren here in Delaware, but also love the time they spend in Sandpoint, Idaho, named as the most beautiful small town by USA Today in 2011. For two or more months of every year, they live a very "outdoorsy lifestyle" in their 110 year old house. They walk to the local farmers' markets and the lakefront, ride bikes, maintain the old homestead, harvest fruit from their trees, pick up their grandson from school, and Steve helps Luke with his construction projects. Steve says Sandpoint is an alternate universe to the East Coast, and both Brubakers feel blessed to have the "best of both worlds."



VOLC's annual Autumn Brunch was held on October 13. Above, Activities Committee co-chairs, Wanda Search and Mary Legreid, make last-minute checks on the food.



At left, JoanMarie Powers collects admission fees with the white box. On either end, Nancy Halbedl and Loretta Fitch, committee members, greet Cathy Brindle, second from left, and Sonja Lemanski, center.

★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY!

At right - Susan Brubaker, Stan Sanders, and Jo Skidmore are feted at the Halloween Party/Birthday Celebration.



Halloween at the Clubhouse



Top left - Steve and Susan Brubaker

Middle left - Cheryl Ford

Above - Standing - Tom Novak, Patti Abernethy, and Loretta Dougherty

Sitting - Jean Pokropski



At left - Jim and JoanMarie Powers

At right - Loretta and Gene Fitch



(Halloween at the Clubhouse cont.)



Above left - Cathy Brindle had everyone fooled with her mysterious costume.

Above right - Jean Skelly

Below left - Janet and Stan Sanders with their look-alike 3 year old grandson, David

Below right - Ruth and Bob Leaming



At right - Cheryl Ford took advantage of the instructional session offered by Lee Morris, shown working out with her.

Lee's long gym experience and encouraging words made Cheryl and others feel comfortable.

Lee has offered individual instruction to any residents. Check your directory and give her a call!

<http://www.myvolc.org>



November babies from left to right - Jean Pokropski, Wanda Search, Brenda Simmons, Gene Fitch, and Nancy Weldin.



Right - Ruth Leaming helped Don Doto with fall cleanup of landscaped beds at the clubhouse, getting it ready for winter.

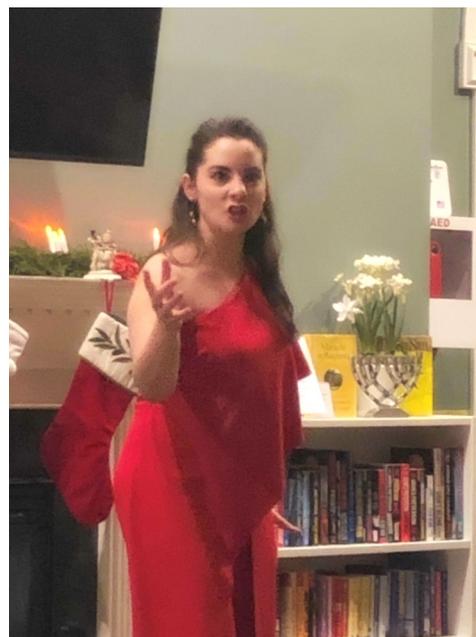
Watch for Don's invitation to join him for spring planting. Beautification of that building helps us all!



**Happy
New Year!**



From left - Cheryl Werner, Katie Leung (pianist), Gina Perregrino (singer), Mary Legreid and Wanda Search.



Gina showed how much acting goes into opera.



On December 21, a group of residents gathered in the clubhouse for a concert by professional opera singer, **Gina Perregrino**. Gina peppered her eclectic performance with information about opera in general and the specific pieces in her set list.

A Mezzo-Soprano, Gina is a native Delawarean and a graduate of Manhattan School of Music from which she also earned a Master's degree. After acclaimed performances with several companies across the country, Gina will return to the Santa Fe Opera in 2019 in the role of Pastuchyna in Jenufa.

Pianist, Katy Leung, is also a native of Delaware and got her Master's degree in collaborative piano at Manhattan School of Music. She is currently on the faculty at University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Gina dedicated her performance to her granddad who had not heard her sing in several years. He pronounced it "Wonderful. Like the voice of an angel!"



At left, a number of concert-goers enjoyed telling stories and chatting with Gina and Katie.

At right - Following the performance, Gina sampled refreshments with her Dad, Mike, a friend to many in the VOLC.



New Year's Eve/Birthday Celebration



Upcoming Birthdays

January

- Justine Gilbert 1st
- Joan/Marie Powers 2nd
- Sharon Mutschler 3rd
- Jane Crowe 16th
- Lois Inglisa 17th
- John Dean 27th
- Ruth Leaming 28th

February

- Maria DeArmas 2nd
- Ray Krout 8th
- George Middleton 9th
- Loretta Fitch 12th
- Joe Lemanski 27th
- Bob Kortvelesy 27th

March

- Ray Whiteoak 8th
- Bob Dickol 10th
- Steve Brubaker 20th
- Monica Chan 23rd
- Pat Crowe 25th
- Rossana Palermo 26th

December birthday babies celebrated at the New Year's Eve celebration.

From left - Nick Inglisa, Mike Ostroski, Jim Powers (seated), Janet Sanders, and Carolyn Harris, a VOLC friend.





Cheryl and John Dean

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Sharon and Bob Dickol

*Holiday
Party*



Wanda Search, Mary Ohara, and JoanMarie Powers



*Len Krygowski, Odette Haight,
and Christine Killian*



Paul Wellborn and Pam Smith



*Sean
Sinatra
Reilly*



*Nick and Lois Inglisa
with Sean*



VOLC Rockettes - From Left - Cheryl Werner, Susan Brubaker, Pam Smith, Jean Skelly, Mary Legreid, and Janet Sanders.



Nancy Weldin and Jean Roberts with "Ole Blue Eyes."



Janet and Stan Sanders



Nancy Halbedl



Official Greeters - Tom and Jean Skelly



Jo Skidmore and Marty Lyon



Gary Legreid

Delaware Trivia - Entertainment

1. "Delaware's Little Broadway" is the nickname for what Wilmington theater?
2. What movie was filmed in part at St. Andrew's School, Middletown?
3. A popular acrobatic trio founded what Delaware dinner theater?
4. The Columbus Inn restaurant on Pennsylvania Ave in Wilmington was known by what name in 1798?



5. What classic vaudeville stage and movie house is still in use in Middletown?
6. What magnet school in Wilmington is devoted to training entertainers?
7. What is the name of the summer festival in Middletown, devoted to an orchard product?
8. What rock 'n roll tavern in Newark has introduced generations of students to beer and big-name rock bands?
9. Wilmington- born actress, Valerie Bertinelli, married what rock star?
10. A spoof of Philadelphia's Mummers Parade, what Middletown event has been held every New Year's Day for over a quarter century?
11. What TV actor once played for the Wilmington Blue Bombers basketball team?
12. Where is the Delaware State Fair held?
13. What statewide Italian restaurant and tourist fixture was founded in 1960 at Rehoboth Beach?
14. Where did Cab Calloway live in his later years?
15. What rock 'n roll Hall of Famer was killed in an auto accident on U.S. 13 near Dover in 1956.

1. The Playhouse at Hotel Du Pont 2. Dead Poets' Society 3. Three Little Bakers 4. Schmalz's Bakery 5. Everett Theater 6. Cab Calloway School of the Arts 7. Olde Tyme Peach Festival 8. Stone Balloon Tavern, reopened as the Stone Balloon Ale House 9. Eddie van Halen 10. Hummers Parade 11. Chuck Conners 12. Harrington 13. Grotto Pizza 14. Hockessin 15. Carl Perkins

Book Clubs' Luncheon - At the Rail



From Left - Marilyn Abrams, Eric Dean, Carolyn Aresu, Betty Schinzel, Sue Bifano, Debbie Carr, Janet Sanders, Odette Haight, Nancy Weldin, Jean Skelly, Patti Abernethy, Judy Anderson, and Cheryl Werner.

The group shared some of their favorite titles for the long winter nights upon us:

SMALL GREAT THINGS BY JODI PICOULT

THE LOCKET BY RICHARD PAUL EVANS

THE GLASS CASTLE BY JEANETTE WALLS

A GENTLEMAN IN MOSCOW BY AMOR TOWLES

THE PEARL THAT BROKE ITS SHELL BY NADIA HASHIMI

CIRCLING THE SUN BY PAULA MCLAIN

THE GOLDEN SON BY SHELPI GOWDA

MY DEAR HAMILTON BY STEPHANIE DRAY/LAURA KOMALE

BENEATH A SCARLET SKY BY MARK SULLIVAN

THE IDENTICALS BY ELIN HILDEBRAND

THE GREAT ALONE BY KRISTEN HANNAH

ORIGIN BY DAN BROWN

SEEING RED AND ALSO TAILSPIN BY SANDRA BROWN

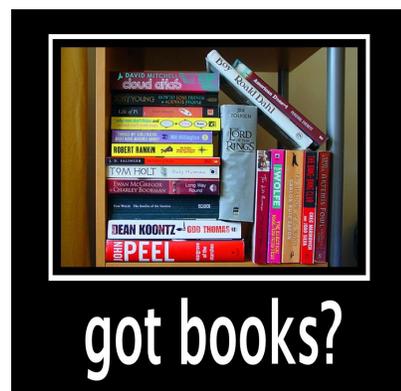
THE LAST TUDOR BY PHILLIPPA GREGORY

THE DEATH OF MRS. WESTAWAY BY RUTH WARE

IRENA'S CHILDREN BY TILAR MAZZEO

THE NIGHTINGALE BY KRISTIN HANNAH

ALL THE LIGHT WE CANNOT SEE BY ANTHONY DOERR





...*After the Holidays*

Submitted by Mary Legreid

“Twas the month after Christmas, and all
through the house
Nothing would fit me, not even a blouse.
The cookies I’d nibbled, the eggnog I’d taste
All the holiday parties had gone to my waist.

When I got on the scales there arose such a number!
When I walked to the store (less a walk than a lumber).
I’d remember the marvelous meals I’d prepared;
The gravies and sauces and beef nicely rared,
The wine and the rum balls, the bread and the cheese,
And the way I’d never said, “No thank you, please.”
As I dressed myself in my husband’s old shirt,
And prepared once again to do battle with dirt—
I said to myself, as I only can,
“You can’t spend a winter disguised as a man!”
So, away with the last of the sour cream dip,
Get rid of the fruit cake, every cracker and chip.
Every last bit of food that I like must be banished
‘Till all the additional ounces have vanished.
I won’t have a cookie, not even a lick.
I’ll want only to chew on a long celery stick.
I won’t have hot biscuits, or corn bread, or pie,
I’ll munch on a carrot and quietly cry.
I’m hungry, I’m lonesome, and life is a bore—
But isn’t that what January’s for?



NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS 2018-2019

Neighbors Helping Neighbors is an idea started by Barb Carter (#49) to assist residents with short-term needs. This may consist of picking up something from a pharmacy or grocery store, driving a resident to a doctor appointment after a surgery, preparing a meal or taking a resident for a procedure. You may have to call a few names to get the assistance that you require. Phone numbers may be found on the VOLC directory or VOLC website at <https://www.myvolc.org/> (password is volc19702 where needed). Below is a list of your neighbors who have volunteered to assist with this program. *(Submitted by Barb Doto)*

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The Lighter Side *Submitted by Cathy Brindle*

Little Bruce and Jenny are only 12 years old, but they know they are in love. One day they decide that they want to get married, so Bruce goes to Jenny's father to ask him for her hand.

Bruce bravely walks up to him and says, "Mr. Smith, me and Jenny are in love and I want to ask you for her hand in marriage."

Thinking that this was just the cutest thing, Mr. Smith replies, "Well, Bruce, you are only 10. Where will the two of you live?"

Without even taking a moment to think about it, Bruce replies, "In Jenny's room. It's bigger than mine and we can both fit there nicely."

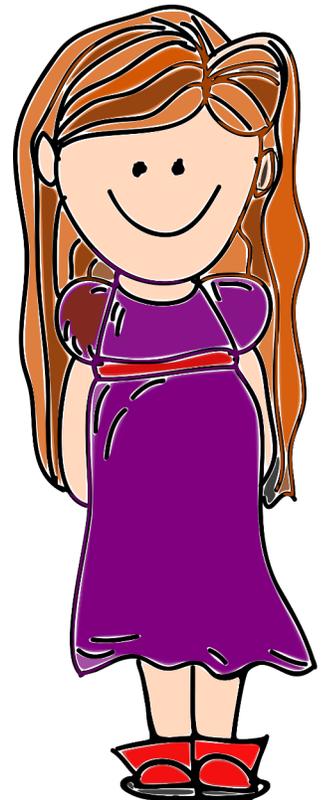
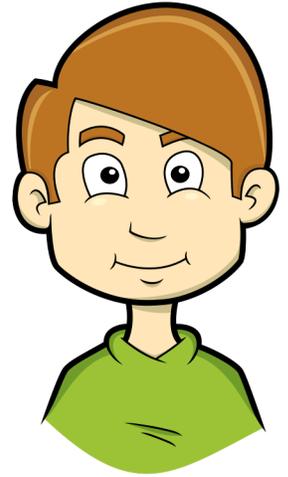
Mr. Smith says with a huge grin, "Okay, then how will you live? You're not old enough to get a job. You'll need to support Jenny."

Again, Bruce instantly replies, "Our allowance, Jenny makes five bucks a week and I make 10 bucks a week. That's about 60 bucks a month, so that should do us just fine."

Mr. Smith is impressed Bruce has put so much thought into this. "Well, Bruce, it seems like you have everything figured out. I just have one more question. What will you do if the two of you should have little children of your own?"

Bruce just shrugs his shoulders and says, "Well, we've been lucky so far."

Mr. Smith no longer thinks the little guy is adorable.



Did you know?...



... that you can have **pull-out shelves** installed in your pantry to replace the stationery ones? Several folks in the VOLC have done this, and it makes all the difference in the world to the cook! No more trying to figure out what's at the back of the shelf and no more kneeling on the floor to get to the bottom one!

While they were here doing other work for us, our drawers were changed out by Reico Kitchen and Bath of Newark, the original installers of the cabinets in the VOLC. Other folks have said they did it themselves.

We couldn't be happier with the added convenience.

Submitted by Cheryl Werner

...that you can get the gift of substantial savings certificates on your birthday through **Birth-day Pak**? Just register with your birth date at <https://www.birthdaypak.com/about.html>

Close to your special day, you'll receive a packet of coupons for popular local restaurants and other businesses. This year's Birthday Pak featured coupons for Harry's Savoy Grill, The Melting Pot, and New Balance shoes.

... that if you put your **recyclables** in plastic bags before throwing in your container, the whole bag could very well be thrown out? Bags indicate "trash" to the haulers and hide the contents. There isn't enough manpower to open the bags to see what's inside, and they will likely end up in landfill and not a recycling center.

See the next page for what can (and cannot) be recycled in Delaware.

...that our **new VOLC website address** is much easier to remember?

<https://www.myvolc.org/>

Sharon Dickol, the VOLC Webmaster, and Cheryl Werner, Chairperson of the Communications Committee just acquired the easier domain (.org) and website address for the community.

Join us on January 24 at 7 PM to view and learn about the new and improved VOLC website.



Recycling In Delaware



Recycle these

(Place these materials loose in recycling carts or dumpsters - no bags please)



Newspapers



Regular and junk mail/magazines



Paperback books



Paper board boxes



Pizza boxes (empty)
(no food residue)



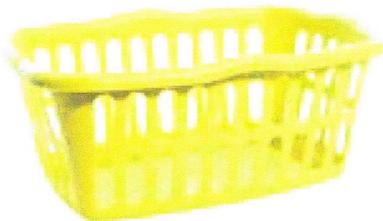
Corrugated cardboard



Telephone books



Office paper/file folders



Rigid plastic



Yogurt and butter containers



Plastic bottles/jugs



Aseptic containers and cartons



Glass bottles/jars
(Remove lids and caps -
recycle separately)



Aluminum and metal cans
(Can lids and clean foil)



Not Accepted

Keep these items out of your recycling cart or container:

- Styrofoam (see pg. 5)
- Motor oil containers
- Chemical containers
- Ceramics or dishes
- Scrap metal
- Window glass and mirrors
- Yard waste (see page 10)
- Shredded paper
- Food waste
- Televisions and computers
- Monitors (see pages 8 and 9)
- Plastic bags (may be returned to stores)