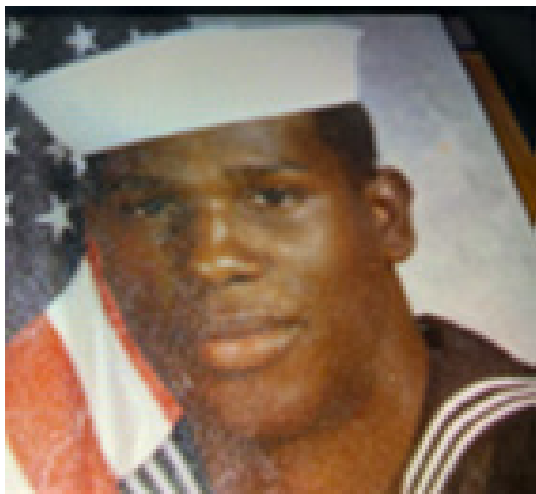




ONE VETERANS' DRIVE, SPRING CITY, PA 19475
610.948.2400

RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT



DON HYMAN, Navy Veteran

Always joking around with a warm smile is Don Hyman. A very friendly and fun to be around guy that befriends everyone he meets! His charismatic personality has earned him the sarcastic nickname "Trouble."

Don was born in Philadelphia but grew up in Northside, New Jersey. He decided after high school that he should consider military life. He attended a school fair and talked with reps from each branch before deciding that Navy would be best for him!

He was a Cook and an Operation Specialist on the ship and then became a ESW. He loved his service and somewhat regrets not spending the full twenty years with them. However, he noted that if he had done that, his life would be different and he wouldn't have



the beautiful six children he has today.

After his service, he spent his career as a cook and Sous Chef while enjoying his family. He has been with SEVC for almost three years and enjoys watching football, basketball, coloring, play cards with friends, and going on trips.

His advice to young folks is "Follow your dreams and never give up."



CONTENTS

LEADERSHIP

GOVERNOR

Josh Shapiro

PA Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs

Adjutant General

Major General, John Pippy

Deputy Adjutant General for Veterans Affairs

Maureen Weigl, BG PA

Executive Director of LTC

Vito P. Ruggiero

Director of Homes

Barry Lowen

Southeastern Veterans' Center

Commandant

Brian Gula, LNHA

Deputy Commandant

Johanna Valenti, LCSW, NHA

Clinical Services Mgr

Amanda Bokosky

Medical Director

Dr. John Peacock

Admissions

Jill Alwine

Therapeutic Activities Director

Feather Bauza

Director of Social Services

Elena Tedesco

Director of Dietetic Services

Rachael Hendricks

New Residents, Employees & Staff Updates	3
Special Events	4
Activities	5
Caught You Caring & Birthdays.....	6
Crossword & Games	7
Volunteer Spotlight	8

About Southeastern Veterans' Center

Situated along the Schuylkill River in Spring City, Chester County, the Southeastern Veterans' Center (SEVC) provides peaceful, scenic living, while only 45 minutes from downtown Philadelphia.

Dozens of American flags line both sides of the drive leading up to the entrance of the SEVC, culminating with even more flags representing each branch of military service. The patriotic theme of our home continues throughout the inside of the building with military artwork and displays, reminding every resident that they are celebrated every day for their service and sacrifice.

Patriotic symbols are not the only way our residents are honored. SEVC provides exceptional care for its residents thanks to a professional staff -- many of whom are veterans -- who proudly come to work each day excited and are honored to take care of true American heroes. Visits to the home by current service members and from representatives of local veteran service organizations are very common and provide a constant reminder that our residents are thought about often throughout the Spring City community.

NEW FACES & STAFF UPDATES

WELCOME, NEW RESIDENTS

JOHN WINKELMAN
FRANCIS LYONS
GEORGE APSOKA RDU
JOHN MULLIKEN
JERALDINE GLASS

Army
Army
Navy
Navy
Non-Veteran



WELCOME, NEW EMPLOYEES

Kelsey Weidner – CW1
Conny Willigmann – CW1
Brent Pisarek – TAA
Darshae Whitehurst – NA FT 3rd
Farah Leonard – LPN FT 2nd
Sunday Bassey, RNS Dayshift
Megan Ahles – LPN PT 2nd
Latosha Udogwu – NA FT 2nd
Gregory Udogwu – NA FT 1st
Kyla Hutchinson- Medical Records Assistant



Meet Megan Ahles! She is a new LPN with SEVC. For years, Megan, her friends and family dedicated time coordinating collection drives and singing for our vets at Christmas!

After several years, she decided that she wanted to pursue nursing and work here at SEVC because of the love and passion she has for veterans!

What a great story. Welcome Megan and we wish you all the best in your new career with us.

STAFF UPDATES & MILESTONES

- Gabrielle Dodson to TAA
- Joann Hartzell to TAA



SPECIAL EVENTS

SEVC CAR & CRAFT SHOW

OCTOBER 3, 2026

1pm-5pm

JOIN US FOR CRAFTS,
CARS, FOOD, BASKET
RAFFLES & GAMES



SAVE THE DATE

**VETERANS DAY,
NOVEMBER 11th**

SEVC PRESENTS

"THE RAT PACK"

Tilghman Hall @2pm



ACTIVITIES

Our Activities Team is tremendous. They spend so much time, effort and compassion assisting our residents with meaningful enriched activities to keep them busy and happy!



We love playing card games and Chess! If you would like to donate drinks and snacks to our game days, let us know!



We love Bingo! We play it on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and sometimes other days, typically at 2pm. If you want to assist or sponsor a Bingo, let us know!



Our amazing staff set-up resident volleyball games! What a great activity. If you would like to volunteer and assist us with these activities, please reach out to the Volunteer Office!



Thank you Barry, Ken and Jack for taking residents to Mama Alba's for breakfast!

THE HOLIDAYS ARE APPROACHING FAST!

If you would like to donate, we could use:

- * Sweatpants: Men's (M-3x) Women (S-3x)
- Zip up Sweatshirts (M-3X)
- Electric Rotary Razors
- Holiday treats: Pumpkin Rolls, Apple Pies, Pastries, etc
- Gingerbread Houses
- Cooking Club items (peelers, measuring cups, bowls, cake or cookie mixes, vanilla, etc)
- Moccasin Slippers (Men- 9-12) Women (6-11)

CAUGHT YOU CARING



CIARA MANES Activities & Volunteers

Meet Ciara, new to the Volunteer and Activities Team! She was caught caring when she spent extra time after work setting up our new Cricut Machine for the veterans! This amazing donation from Hackers for Heroes, was set-up in our Library so residents can make shirts, hats, etc.

THIS MONTH'S RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS

- MATTHEW BADER
- ALVINA BARGER
- KENNETH BICKSLER
- RAYMOND BUCHANAN
- STEPHAN CASSEL
- JERRY CLARK
- WILSON CONNER
- BERNARD COTHRAN
- GEORGE CUNNINGHAM
- KENNETH DEA
- JAMES DISARNO
- JAMES ELLERBE
- THOMAS FARRELL
- ANN GRIMES
- SAMUEL GUTCHEN
- GREGORY HARMON
- DANIEL HEFFERNAN
- WAYNE HELWIG
- RICHARD HILDEBRAND
- DONALD HUEY
- DONALD HYMAN
- EDWARD JENKINS
- THOMAS KOCH
- DEBORAH KRIWOX
- WILLIAM LIVELSBERGER
- ALFRED MARTIN
- RICHARD MASHMAN
- GARY MCGINNIS
- ALFONSO MESSERE
- NAPOLEON MILES
- ROBERT MONTGOMERY
- RONALD MUELLER
- NORMAN RHONE
- WILLIAM SCHIEBER
- GARY SCHOFIELD
- JOHNIE SHEPHERD
- CAROL SMITH
- ROBERT WISLOWSKI
- NICHOLAS ZELENSKY



CROSSWORD & GAMES



FALL



Z E G A J S D M Y F U N I Q W B
 P K R N C X T S E V R A H L S O
 L O D I B Y R A Z T S W K E R J
 S C V T F O E P J Q K O E A E M
 D X F E L N Z L U A G R S V D T
 R P H O G W O I L C T C U E I G
 I L C S V E R B D O Y E J S P N
 B F Q J M R T X G R W R E D S I
 H N A R E O S A K N Q A X T F G
 Y M Z L H E O V B P J C H O L N
 C U S X L U T R F L I S O R K A
 N T J P Z D E G H M E T I A Y H
 Q U P U M P K I N S B S L N E C
 F A B H S I C W R A U D Y G X Q
 G N I K A R A F L X H M P E C V
 A R W E D H J L T S O R F B U K



acorn	colors	leaves	scarecrow
apples	fall	mushrooms	spiders
autumn	football	orange	squirrels
birds	frost	pumpkins	trees
bonfire	harvest	raking	vegetables
changing	jacket	red	yellow



Tree Valley Academy

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



This month's Volunteer spotlight focuses on Joyce Kriczky of American Legion of Birdsboro Riders Club. She has been volunteering on Tuesdays, sitting with residents for friendly chit chat! She stays all day to help with various activities and assists with afternoon Bingo!

Joyce has been so helpful in working on resident wish lists for the upcoming holiday season!

Thank you Joyce for volunteering your time to our veterans. We adore you!

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS

- St. Mary of Assumption for buying Hoagies from Rossi's Pizzeria for all residents to enjoy!
- VFW Auxilliary- Dept of PA- For dedicating a weekly representative and donations!
- VFW of Lansdale- Donating Pretzel Factory Gift Cards for Eagles parties!
- American Legion Birdsboro- Sweatpants, suspenders, razors!
- American Legion Riders- Sweatpants, cases of sodas
- Elks of Pottstown- Bingo Support
- American Legion of Sanatoga for sponsoring Bingo!
- Rita Wanner for sponsoring several bingo events!
- Sabrina and Deb of Hackers for donating gift cards for lunch outings
- Deb & Rich Kulp for coordinating a car show that benefited SEVC!
- Krista and Justin from J&J for sponsoring a coffee social.
- UCC of Royersford for playing Bingo with our residents!
- Dee & Jules Banyai for donating chips



Volunteer With Us

Individuals and groups are welcome. To learn about opportunities — one-on-one visits, activity support, special events and pet therapy — contact volunteer services.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

CONTACT INFO:

TARA VASZILY

610.948.2418 or tvaszily@pa.gov

Ciara Manes @610.948.2416