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THE VICINIA VIBE

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



On **October 16th from 4-6pm**, the Loose Senior Center will be hosting an exciting Chili and Dessert Cook-Off, offering an exciting day with delightful flavors and friendly rivalry. For just \$8, payable at the pub, attendees can sample an array of homemade chilies and desserts prepared by skilled local chefs. Come out to support Chef Hunter, cast your vote for your favorite Chili, and enjoy live music!

SWEETS FOR YOUR SWEETIE!

Starting **Wednesday**, **October 1st**, we are thrilled to offer our delightful Sweetest Day cookie grams, perfect for sharing a little sweetness with loved ones. Available for just **\$1** each, these treats will be delivered on **October 17th**, right in time to celebrate Sweetest Day. Show someone you care with a charming cookie gram that's sure to bring a smile!

SWEET CHOICES

After the Resident Council meeting, The Med Team will be stopping by to share helpful tips and guidance on diabetic-friendly nutrition. It's a great chance to learn simple ways to keep meals balanced and delicious while supporting overall health.

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BUS CHARGE UPDATE

We're updating our bus trip charges to make things simpler for residents and staff. The \$5 fee will now apply to all trips, including shopping outings, with refunds issued in a single lump sum at the end of each month. Payments will be card-only (no cash), and there are no extra fees.

SPOOKY STORIES

Join us at the Packard Proving Grounds on **Sunday**, **October 26th**, **1:00–2:00 PM** for the Historical Speaker Series: "**Rough Seas: The Edmund Fitzgerald.**" Explore the story behind Gordon Lightfoot's iconic ballad and the sinking of the Great Lakes freighter. Afterwards, we'll head to **Steakhouse 22** for dinner!

WITCHES' NIGHT OUT!

Fenton's Witches Night Out is Friday, **October**10 from 5–8 p.m. in Historic Downtown
Fenton. Dress up and enjoy shopping, treats, prizes, and laughs. Local shops and restaurants will have specials, plus you'll get to vote for the best decorated cauldron. Start at the Fenton Museum to grab your purple shopping bag, then stroll downtown for a spellbinding night with friends!

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WE LISTEMED:

- Several residents have requested name tags and we are working on making this happen. Please stop by the concierge desk for more information!
- New culinary comment cards are here! Please fill them out fully, including the employee's name when they do a great job!
- A larger dining room table has been ordered and there will be minor adjustments to arrangements. Stay tuned for more seating!

RESIDENT REVAINDERS:

- In the event of a power outage, emergency outlets for oxygen users are located on each floor in the buildings core. They are marked with a red dot for easy identification.
- With more residents joining us, the dining room can get busy. For a quieter, more intimate setting, please feel free to use the Rose Room.
- Smoking is not permitted inside the building. Please use the designated bench or gazebo for smoking.
- Theme Dinners: On the 2nd Friday of each month, theme dinners are served. During these dinners, there is no alternative menu, and soup and salad are only available if included in the theme menu. Please plan accordingly, as there are no exceptions. The pub and pub menu will remain available during theme dinners.
- Our ping pong days are now on Thursdays! To match the new schedule, the table will be set up in the Jennings Dining Room on the 2nd floor. Mark your calendars & get ready for some Thursday fun!

\$1 SHOCK TOP DRAFTS!



\$5 buckets! WITH YOUR CHOICE OF 5 BOTTLES: COORS, CORONA, GUINESS, MICHELOB ULTRA, BUD LIGHT, BUDWEISER OR MILLER LITE.



\$5 SOFT PRETZELS WITH CHEESE & ARTISANAL MUSTARD



During the month of October, while supplies last.

Chili is one of those rare dishes that's both rustic and endlessly versatile. At its heart, it's a slowsimmered mix of meat, tomatoes, beans (for those who allow them), and spices that deepen into something bold, hearty, and comforting. Regional traditions bring their own flair—Texans swear by bean-free chili, while Midwesterners pile it over spaghetti. Some cooks add cocoa, coffee, or beer for extra depth. However you make it, chili is a communal dish meant to be shared, often paired with cornbread, crackers, or cheese, embodying both comfort and creativity.







The big toss up!





Lettuce celebrate flavor! Our previously postponed salad dressing tasting has been rescheduled for October 8th during dinner. From tangy to sweet, creamy to zesty, you'll have to romaine calm while sampling some delicious new favorites. Dressing up your salad has never been this fun!

SPOTLICHT OF THE MONTH



WAYNE MILLINGTON VICINIA VICTOR



SAGANING EAGLES LANDING

Get ready for a day of fun gambling!
Wednesday, October 22
\$50/person (must be over 21)

Bus leaves at 10:00AM & returns around 6:30PM

Mid Week Madness will get you a \$5 Aerie Café
Food Voucher, plus if you earn 300 points on your
visit, you will receive \$20 in Premium Play.
(limited to 1 download)

Call 810-735-9406 to sign up today!



- Must present Players Card to receive package.
- Trip requires a minimum of 30 passengers to operate.
 Bring 2 pieces of I.D. so you can claim any jack pot prizes.
- The casino reserves the right to change or discontinue
- The casino reserves the right to change or discontinue package at any time.
- Loose has arranged this tour. All other services provided in connection with this tour are provided by independent suppliers. Loose assumes no liability for the injury, damages or losses of any kind sustained by any person as a result of participation in the tour.
- The price does NOT include tip to your motor coach driver and any other incidental expenses.
- NO REFUNDS will be issues after 7 days prior to departure unless replacement can be found.

FULL PAYMENT DUE TO CONFIRM YOUR RESERVATION.



SPENCER RAYSIN EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

WHAT?? WE HAVE A LIBRARY???

Oh, yeah! And it's a pretty nifty one, at that. Where? The third floor, by the south elevator. When is it open? All the time, and for everyone! If you're looking for something to read before bedtime, the light switch is to the left of the entryway. Any other time...the light switch is to the left of the entryway. Judi and Donna keep it pretty well organized and it's easy to find the books you're looking for, from mysteries to westerns to romances, history, biography, travel, and much more. Stop in and just look around, sit in the comfortable chairs, page through a magazine, or just enjoy the quiet. Grab a book to read, and bring it back to the return cart when you've finished it. This is our library, these are our books, and you are welcome to use them, night or day. Drop in and enjoy!

Written by Judi Chambers



PUZZLE PAGE

HALLOWEEN RIDDLES

ANSWERS ON PAGE 7

DON'T GET TWISTED WITH THESE TEASERS!

I GRIN WITH NO TEETH AND GLOW WITHOUT FLAME. CARVED FOR JOY, I'M A PORCH-SIDE NAME.

WHAT AM I?

I SWEEP THE FLOOR BUT NEVER TIRE. I'M OFTEN SEEN WHERE SPELLS CONSPIRE. WHAT AM I?

I FOLLOW YOU BY DAY AND VANISH AT NIGHT, I COPY YOUR POSE BUT STEAL NO LIGHT. WHAT AM I?

WORD SCRAMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THE LETTERS TO REVEAL 8 SPOOKY WORDS!

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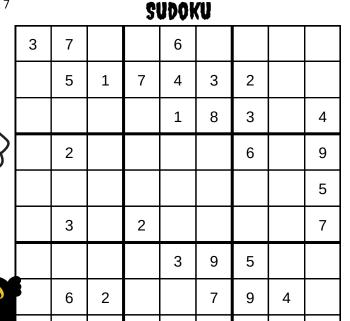
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Here's your friendly reminder for the exciting & busy summer season! With friends and family visiting, don't forget to share the details about our fabulous accommodations right here on campus before were all sold out! Make your reservations at the concierge desk or call **810.354.7050**.



How to Play Sudoku

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- 1. The puzzle is a big square made of 9 little boxes.
- 2. Each row, each column, and each little 3×3 box must have the numbers 1 through 9.

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- 3. No repeats allowed in a row, column, or box!
- 4. Use logic (not guessing) to figure out where the numbers go.
- 5. Fill in every square and ta-da you've solved it! No math involved!

There are thirteen black cats hidden in this edition of the Vibe. Can you find them all?



REFERRAL BONUS!





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UNCLE RAY'S I-SCREAM SOCIAL!

Uncle Ray's Ice Cream is excited to host a delightful "I-Scream Social" for our residents on Tuesday,

October 7th at 1:59 PM, featuring a delicious treat for only \$5. To participate in the fun, make sure to sign up and pay at the pub. We require a minimum of 20 participants for the event to take place, so make sure to sign up by Friday, October 3rd!



Residents can sign up to pass out candy on Halloween from 6-8 PM. Neighboring families will be coming out for a spooktacular time—volunteers will need to provide their own candy. Gather your friends and sign up today!

FRIGHTFULLY FESTIVE DOORS

Get spooky and show off your creativity in our Halloween door decorating contest! Sign up at the concierge and transform your doorway into a monster-piece for a chance at bragging rights. Voting runs October 20th—24th, and the winner will be crowned on Halloween, October 31!



Gallop on over to Steffey's Pub
Patio on **Friday, October 17th @ 1 pm!** Meet our sweet ponies, snap a
photo, and give some loving pats
as we trot into autumn. Don't miss
this chance for some adorable
photo ops with our four-legged
friends!

DINING ROOM NOTICE

The Vicinia Gardens dining room serves as a hub for our neighbors to come together, socialize, and share fellowship. We believe that this fellowship is equally important to our mental well being as nutrition is for our bodies. While we encourage you to savor the delicious meals prepared by our very own chef, you're also welcome to bring your own dish to personally enjoy. However, to maintain a safe and healthy environment for all residents, we kindly request that you refrain from sharing home-prepared meals within our common spaces, including the dining room.

SUDOKU ANSWER

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RIDDLES

SHADOW BROOM NATIONAL

SCRAMBLES

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HAUNTED
SKELETON
WITCH
CAULDRON

STORAGE UNIT

The storage unit that is on the first floor, in room 113, unit 4 is in use. These boxes must be claimed by October 15th or we will have the unit emptied and thrown away. To claim the unit, please stop by the concierge desk.

Thank you!

RESIDENT GUIDE

Our updated Resident Guide is now available on our website! Please make sure to sign our acknowledgement at the concierge desk by October 15th! **OCTOBER 2025** THE INDEPENDENT



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STEFFEY'S PUB





SATURDAY & SUNDAY = 3PM-7PM Happy Hour is from 3pm - 5pm Monday - Friday!

Bartender is here from 2pm-7pm every night!



