



Cardinal View
SENIOR LIVING
A Lifespark Community

Age Magnificently



February Newsletter

Discover what's new at Cardinal View



Resident Spotlight - Larry Larson

Larry Arthur Larson was born on December 20, 1938, as the third child in his family. He attended Wonewoc High School, where he thrived both academically and athletically, engaging in band, FFA, class plays, and chorus. He often humorously remarked that his alternative was returning home to milk cows and clean barns. Although Larry aspired to attend UW-Madison, he received a tuition scholarship to the Wisconsin Institute of Technology in Platteville (Mining School) to pursue a degree in Civil Engineering.

In 1959, Larry married Phyllis James from Binghamton, NY, who took on various jobs while he completed his BS in Civil Engineering. The couple welcomed two children, Anita and Mark, during their time in Platteville. To support his family, Larry made early morning milk deliveries at 4:00 AM before attending classes and worked at a garage in the afternoons. After graduating in 1962, they moved to Sacramento, California, where Larry took on the role of water resources engineer for the California Department of Water Resources. He played a vital role in the California Water Project, a multi-billion-dollar initiative aimed at constructing the Oroville Dam, which captured water in Northern California and transported it to the Central Valley for agricultural irrigation and to Southern California for drinking. During their five years in Sacramento, two more children, Matthew and Morgan, were born.

In 1967, the family moved back to Wisconsin, and Larry joined the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) as an engineer. Over his 30-plus years there, he managed several programs, including Floodplain, Shoreland, and Wetland management, while collaborating with more than 20 federal agencies.

Larry married Jennie (Blazek) in 1988 during the ASFPM Nashville conference, with a wedding celebration later held at the Essen Haus in Madison. Together, they cherished moments with his four children, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. The couple resided in Westmorland in Madison for over 48 years, and Larry felt grateful to have Jennie as his partner in their shared commitment to contributing to their city, country, and the world. Throughout the years, they traveled across all states and many countries, forming friendships worldwide. They truly loved Madison, with its lively arts scene and university offerings.

Resident Spotlight - Jenni Lynn Larson

Jennie was born on November 2, 1950, to John and Flo (Clementi) Blazek and grew up in the Greenbush neighborhood, a triangle area off Regent Street in downtown Madison.

She attended Longfellow Elementary School and Madison Central High School, graduating in 1968 as one of the last classes.

Upon graduating from high school, Jennie began working immediately, obtaining a work permit from the state since she was only 17 years old. She dedicated 38 years to the Department of Natural Resources, where she held various positions, including clerical worker, supervisor, and Administrative Assistant in the Secretary's office, until her retirement.

At the DNR, Jennie met Larry Larson, the love of her life and an engineer there. They purchased a home together in 1977 and tied the knot in 1988, undertaking a complete remodel of their house while doing much of the work themselves.

Jennie and Larry shared a passion for travel, exploring numerous countries in Europe and making four trips to Australia to visit friends. Larry was a leader in a national organization focused on reducing flood losses, and Jennie accompanied him to the annual conference, which took place in various locations across the United States, where she made many friends from around the globe.

A bowling enthusiast for many years, Jennie was also an avid supporter of the Badgers, Packers, and Brewers. She devoted a lot of time to caring for her mother, Flo, who lived to be 97. Jennie frequently visited her, taking her on rides, out for lunch, and to see friends and family.

Jennie and Larry have enjoyed meeting new friends at Cardinal View, weekly Euchre Games and Dining with Friends.




Chaplains Corner

*My life has been the poem I would have writ; But I could not
both live and utter it.*

-Henry David Thoreau

We have come around again to the month of valentines and hearts, flowers and chocolates and sentimental sayings. We share words of love with others, and perhaps we also feel grief when remembering those loves we've lost. This year, consider offering some words of love to yourself. If your life, like Thoreau's were a poem, what words would it include? What parts of you would it celebrate? Have you persevered through a challenge? Survived a heartbreak? Risen to a challenge? What words would you use to describe what is most lovable about you? How would you put into words the arc of your life? Poems don't have to rhyme, and they don't even have to be long. Try writing a short love poem to yourself this month. And if you're feeling brave, find someone to share it with! Love grows when we share it with others.

Love Yourself

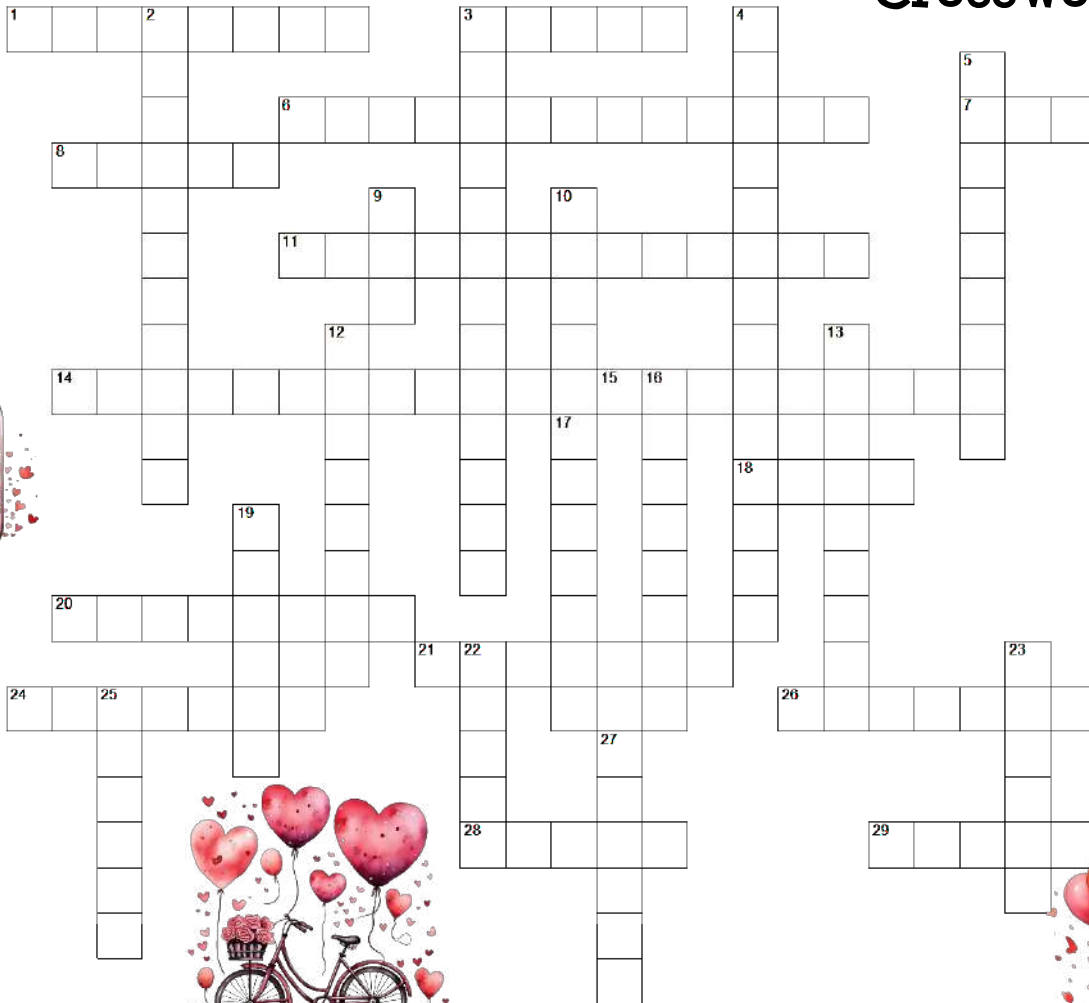
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Name: _____

Date: _____



Crossword



Across

Down

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| 1. Love symbolized by two interlocking rings | 18. Valentine's Day flower | 2. Love at first sight | 17. Affectionate nickname |
| 3. Love goddess in mythology | 20. Partner in crime, romantically speaking | 3. February 14th celebration | 19. Romantic comedy, for short |
| 6. Romantic dinner for two | 21. Valentine's Day card sender | 4. Romantic getaway | 22. Love triangle, e.g. |
| 7. Affectionate embrace | 24. Heartfelt emotion | 5. Sweet confectionery | 23. Love potion |
| 8. Symbol of love | 26. Heart-shaped chocolate treat | 9. Valentine's Day color | 25. Love poem |
| 11. Expression of affection | 28. Cupid's weapon | 10. Love letter abbreviation | 27. Lovebirds' sound |
| 14. Love is blind, they say | 29. Valentine's Day mascot | 12. Heartfelt message | |
| 15. Romantic rendezvous | | 13. Romantic gesture involving mistletoe | |
| | | 16. Relationship status | |

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Cardinal View Resident

**Valentine's Day
Dessert Party**

2nd Floor Cardinal Room

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14TH
6:30PM - 8:30PM**

**SOCIALIZE WITH
FRIENDS
ENJOY DELICIOUS
DESSERTS AND
VALENTINE TREATS!**

**HAPPY
VALENTINES DAY!**



VALENTINE'S DAY
COMMUNITY
ITALIAN DINNER
THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 13TH
4:30 PM

Antipasto Appetizer
Caesar Salad
Spaghetti or Lasagna
Garlic Bread
Tiramisu for Dessert

Beer or Wine Served 4:30 -5:00PM

Romantic Dinner Music by Red Duo

2024 /2025 SPARK CHALLENGE

PRIZE PURCHASES

Gratitude

- Arts and Crafts Supplies
- Card Group Supplies
- Karoake Blue Ray Sound System
- Memory Care Activity Supplies
- Happy Hour June-December
- Weights and Exercise Equipment
- Cardinal View T Shirts
- Greeting Cards (Craft Room)
- Entertainment
- Spring and Summer Flowers
- Lobby Christmas Tree and Garland
- Peacock Yearly Subscription
- New Seasonal Puzzles
- Community Event Tables and Tablecloths
- 2 New Forklifts



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Resident Birthdays

Evelyn W.	2/10
Georgie D.	2/16
Lorna A.	2/25

Resident Anniversaries

Rosanne J. - 3 years	2/09
Sue C. - 2 years	2/14

Let's Celebrate



EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS

Sydney L.	2/20
Pyper G.	2/22
Yelixa H.	2/26

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

Yusmilla - 1 year	2/02
Barry - 1 year	2/14
Kathy - 2 years	2/17



HAPPY
Valentine's
Day

Community Team



Julie Holden
Executive
Director



Kacy Riley, RN
Health Services
Director



Lisa Norton
Community Life
Director



Kim Frisch
Administrative
Assistant



Jim Larson
Maintenance
Director



Kathy Deinlein
Community Life
Assistant



Daryl Jones
Culinary Director



Matthew Paszczak
Assistant
Executive Director



David May
Sales & Marketing
Director



Sarah Servais, RN
Assistant Health
Services Director