

# MARCH 2025 NEWSLETTER



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As we welcome March, we want to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude for your kindness, compassion, and dedication. Your presence brings comfort, dignity, and light to those in their most vulnerable moments, and your impact extends far beyond what you may see. Beyond the direct care you provide, your efforts create ripples of comfort and support—easing the burden on families, uplifting staff with your kindness, and inspiring others in the community to serve with love. You make a profound difference in ways both seen and unseen. This season of renewal reminds us that even the smallest acts of kindness have lasting effects. Thank you for all that you do. We look forward to sharing updates and opportunities with you in this newsletter. Wishing you all a delightful spring season filled with joy and renewal!

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# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

## Gatherer Craft Group

Join us on Wednesday, March 5th, at 11 AM in the Serenity Conference Room for our monthly Gatherer Craft Group. This is a fantastic opportunity to connect with volunteers from various fields while collaborating in a creative environment to support our patients and community. No prior experience is necessary. We encourage RSVPs, as a light lunch will be provided.

## Veteran Cafe

We are excited to announce a special Vietnam Veteran Cafe on Tuesday, April 1st at 10 AM, taking place at the Rock River Center. This event is a meaningful way to honor and celebrate the service and sacrifices of our Vietnam veterans.

It's a fantastic opportunity for veterans to gather, share their stories, and enjoy a morning filled with camaraderie and connection. Refreshments will be provided, and a special program will be held to recognize and express our gratitude to our veterans for their bravery and dedication. Please share this information with any Vietnam veterans you may know and encourage them to join us for this special event. Volunteers are also welcome to help ensure that this occasion is memorable for everyone involved.

We look forward to seeing you there and showing our appreciation for those who have served. Please be sure to RSVP.

## Knitting and Crocheting

Our fantastic group of knitters and crocheters meets on Friday, March 14th, at 10 AM at the Serenity Shed. Patients and their families deeply appreciate the beautiful prayer shawls, lap blankets, and prayer squares we create for them. Each item is made with love and care, acting as a warm embrace during tough times. Remember to bring your favorite yarn and hooks or needles, and let's weave comfort and kindness into the lives of those who need it most.

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## Book Club

Join us for our book club on April 17th at 8 AM at the Village Bakery, where we will discuss "The Spectacular" by Fiona Davis. We're eager to explore this enchanting novel and exchange our thoughts and insights while enjoying coffee and pastries. We can't wait to see you there for a delightful morning filled with engaging conversation and tasty treats.



## Self Care

Please remember to take a moment for self-care. With the weather warming up, it is the perfect time to stop by the Serenity Home and take a stroll on our walking path. Whether you bring a book, a journal, or simply your thoughts, this tranquil setting is the ideal place to reconnect with yourself and find peace in the present moment.

## Serenity Home Cleaning

Our wonderful house mom, Carmen, will be out of the office for a well-deserved vacation! While she is away, we are seeking volunteers to help maintain the Serenity Home's appearance. We need assistance on the following dates:

**Sunday, April 6**

**Saturday, April 12**

**Sunday, April 13**

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## Volunteer Support Chat

Join us on Wednesday, March 26th, at 10:45 AM in the Serenity Conference Room for our monthly volunteer support chat. We invite all volunteers to gather, share their experiences, and explore new ideas for creating a positive impact in our community and for our patients .

## Online Education

This month's online education focuses on the topic: Why "Thank You for Your Service" May Not Be Enough: Engaging in Conversations with Our Veterans. View the video here: [https://youtu.be/qurz1\\_RdvVQ?si=wUbNRthD-6gmQoUa](https://youtu.be/qurz1_RdvVQ?si=wUbNRthD-6gmQoUa) Afterwards be sure to add the education to your volunteer hours and caption the video in the note section.

## Crockpot Meals

We have two opportunities available for crockpot meals at Serenity Home during February. If you can provide a meal for the families of patients staying at Serenity Home, your contribution would be greatly appreciated. The openings are on **Friday, March 28th, and Friday, April 4th.**

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## Volunteer In-Service

Join us in the Serenity conference room on Wednesday, March 19th, at 10:45 a.m. for our monthly volunteer education session. This month's theme is "We Honor Veterans." We will delve into ways to support and acknowledge the contributions of our veterans while also gaining insight into the unique challenges they encounter. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn, share experiences, and discuss how we can create a meaningful impact in their lives. Everyone is welcome, and refreshments will be available. We eagerly anticipate your presence as we come together to honor those who have served our country.

## Front Desk Greeters

Front desk greeters play a crucial role in creating a welcoming atmosphere as they are the initial point of contact for visitors. We are currently seeking volunteers for upcoming dates to provide support and create a positive impact on our visitors.

- **SUNDAYS FROM 8-1230 & 1230-430**
- **TUESDAY MARCH 18TH FROM 430-8P**
- **THURSDAY MARCH 6TH, 13TH, & 20TH FROM 430-8P**