

Across the Greenfield

Greenfield Volunteers



Celebrating Our Volunteers

Greenfield is proud to celebrate our incredible volunteers, especially the Greenfield Greeters, whose warm welcomes create meaningful first impressions for all who visit. Through

their partnership with the Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce, they were honored as Volunteer of the Month. This recognition highlights their dedication, kindness, and commitment

to building community. We are grateful for the many ways our volunteers give their time and hearts to make Greenfield a welcoming and vibrant place for everyone.



Dee Ann



Men's Group



Pat Q. & Jean



Christy & 3rd Graders



Nancy, Bonnie & 3rd Graders



Betty



Nobbie



Men's Pizza Party

Across Lynn's Desk

There are events you enjoy... and then there are evenings that stay with you.

Our "A Night at Tiffany's" was one of those.

Held at Chapel Hill Golf Course, the setting itself carried a quiet sense of significance. The course was established the same year Greenfield first opened its doors—115 years ago. There was something meaningful about gathering in a place that has endured just as long as we have. It set the tone for the night.

This event wasn't just about celebrating a milestone. It was about recognizing what it takes to reach one.

It takes commitment, stewardship, and a shared belief that what we do matters—not just today, but for the future.

We are fortunate to have that in our Board of Trustees—Bill Beneke, Chuck Hanson, Tim Harris, Gary Bruce, and Tracy Grimmer—who continue to guide Greenfield with care and intention.

Their leadership helps ensure that we remain grounded in

our mission as a nonprofit organization.

That mission shows up in very real ways. It's in the quiet decision to continue caring for someone who has outlived their resources. It's in the ongoing work to maintain and improve our community. And it's in the ability to navigate difficult seasons without losing sight of who we are.

One of the highlights of the evening was a special performance that brought our founder, Adeline E. Prouty, to life. Hearing her story in that way created a powerful connection between where we started and where we are today.

It's remarkable to think that everything we now experience—the care, the community, the continuity—began with a single act of

generosity and vision. More than a century later, that vision is still shaping lives.

Events like this are also a reminder that while history is important, it's not something we simply look back on. It's something we are all a part of continuing.

To everyone who attended, supported, and contributed to this event—thank you.

Your support ensures that Greenfield can continue to serve residents with dignity, strengthen our community, and carry this legacy forward.

115 years later, we are still here.

And we are grateful for every person who helps make that possible.

Lynn Olds, Administrator



After a Dementia Diagnosis What's Next—Part I

1. Clarify the diagnosis and care plan

Not all dementia is the same. Different types progress differently. Ask the provider:

- What type and stage is it?
- What symptoms should we expect next?
- Are there medications or therapies to slow symptoms or manage behaviors?

You might also consider a referral to a specialist or look for area support. We offer a Dementia Caregiver Support Group every month on the 2nd Thursday at the Princeton Public Library. The Alzheimer's Association also offers a number of resources that may help including a 24 hour hotline and a care plan tool. <https://www.alz.org/help-support/i-have-alz>

2. Start medications and symptom management (if appropriate). Some medications can help with memory, attention, or mood. Others address sleep, anxiety, or agitation. Non-drug strategies (routine, environment, communication style) are just as important.

3. Plan for the future while the person can still participate. We can help you with this at Greenfield.

- Advance directives- preferences for CPR or DNR, wishes for how aggressive you want to be if in the hospital, and whether you would want a feeding tube
- Durable power of attorney (medical and financial) Even if this is in place it may require

updating after a diagnosis of dementia, especially if an individual with dementia is your primary POA

- Living will
- Discuss wishes around care, housing, and end-of-life
- You might consider giving someone you trust a key to your house, pin to your cell phone, making them your backup email if you get locked out of your accounts. They can help with passwords or electronic bill pay.

Kate Webster, SSD

SAVE THE DATE – Paws on Park Avenue

Circle your calendars and leash up your excitement for **Paws on Park Avenue!** Join us on May 30th from 9:30 to 11:30 AM for a tail-wagging good time at Greenfield. Enjoy a delicious bake sale, with all proceeds benefiting

local animal shelters. Don't miss the highlight of the morning, our dog parade at 10:30 AM, where community members can proudly strut their mutts down Park Avenue. Registration to participate

will be available soon on Facebook, or you can stop by Greenfield to pick up an application. Bring your furry friends, your sweet tooth, and your community spirit for a paw-some event!

Honoring the Heart of Greenfield: Our Volunteers

There are many moving parts that keep a community like ours thriving, but every so often it becomes beautifully clear which piece holds everything together. This month, we paused our busy routines to celebrate that piece: our volunteers.

At a special appreciation luncheon, we had the joy of honoring the individuals who quietly, consistently, and generously give their time to Greenfield. The room was filled with laughter, shared stories, and the kind of warmth that only comes from people who genuinely care. Each volunteer was presented with a certificate as a small

token of our immense gratitude, along with a truly meaningful gift created by our residents.

The gift carried a simple but powerful message: "Always remember... You are the piece that made the difference."

It's hard to imagine more fitting words. Our volunteers are companions, helpers, listeners, and bright spots in the day. They turn ordinary moments into something memorable, whether through a conversation, an activity, or simply their presence.

We also took time to recognize a special group

among our volunteers: the Greenfield Greeters. With welcoming smiles and open hearts, they are often the first friendly face visitors encounter. They set the tone for what Greenfield is all about, kindness, connection, and community.

Celebrating our volunteers is one of the easiest things we do, because appreciation comes naturally when impact is so evident. To each and every volunteer, thank you for being such an essential part of our story. You are not just helping... you are truly making the difference.

Chris Thompson
Activity Director

A Heartfelt Thank You

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the ministerial staff who have so generously shared their time and gifts with our community. Pastor Colleen Lawrence from First Presbyterian Church provided a meaningful Maundy Thursday service and continues to offer

thoughtful regular meditations. We are also grateful to Retired Pastor Cal Zehr from Willow Springs Mennonite Church, and to Father Bosse and Friends from St. Louis Catholic Church, for leading mass and communion services that bring comfort and spiritual connection to

our residents. A special thank you to Deb for sharing her musical talents on the piano, adding a beautiful and uplifting element to our gatherings. Your dedication enriches our community in so many ways, and we are truly thankful for each of you.

Greenfield Honored as Organization of the Year

Greenfield is proud to announce that we have been recognized as the Organization of the Year by the Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce. This prestigious award is presented annually during the Chamber's annual meeting and celebrates organizations that demonstrate outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to the community.

The Princeton Area Chamber of Commerce plays a vital role in supporting local businesses

and strengthening the community through economic development and engagement. Being selected for this honor reflects the impact Greenfield continues to have in creating a welcoming, vibrant environment for residents, families, and the greater community.

This recognition would not be possible without the dedication of our staff, volunteers, and partners. From daily acts of kindness to larger community events and outreach efforts, each contribution helps shape the positive experience

Greenfield is known for.

We are especially grateful for the many individuals who give their time and talents to serve others. Their compassion and commitment are at the heart of everything we do and are a key reason Greenfield continues to thrive.

Receiving this award is both an honor and a reminder of our mission—to enrich lives, build connections, and foster a strong sense of community. We look forward to continuing this work and making a lasting difference in the lives of those we serve.





Enjoying Music Outside On A Beautiful Day



Marian & 3rd Graders



Jean



Glenn



Ed & 3rd Graders



Mary Ellen & 3rd Grader



DON Corner

Respiratory Season Update: RSV Activity Continues

As we move further into spring, we typically expect to see a decline in seasonal respiratory illnesses.

However, this year has been a bit different. Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), a common virus that affects the lungs and breathing passages, has remained active later than usual, with cases continuing.

RSV can be particularly concerning for older adults, especially those with underlying health conditions, as it may lead to more serious respiratory complications such as bronchitis or pneumonia. Because of this extended season, we have remained vigilant in monitoring

symptoms, reinforcing infection prevention practices, and ensuring the health and safety of all our residents.

In response to the prolonged RSV activity, we were pleased to offer an on-site RSV vaccine clinic for our residents earlier this month. With the help of Oregon Healthcare Pharmacy. This clinic provided a convenient and effective way for eligible residents to receive added protection against RSV. We are grateful to those who participated and to our staff for coordinating and supporting this important effort.

We continue to encourage good hand hygiene,

respiratory etiquette, and staying home or limiting exposure when feeling unwell. These simple steps remain some of the most effective ways to prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses within our community.

As always, the health and well-being of our residents is our top priority. We will continue to monitor public health guidance and adjust our practices as needed. If you have any questions about RSV, vaccinations, or our infection prevention measures, please don't hesitate to reach out. Thank you for letting us be part of your care each day,

Baylea Weston, DON

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