



# WESTERN RESERVE

## Masonic Community

YOUR HOME...YOUR LIFESTYLE...YOUR CHOICE

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### PRESIDENT'S CORNER



By Jason French, President

Summer is here at the Western Reserve Masonic Community. (WRMC) This is a beautiful time on our campus. Everyone is excited to be outside in the sunshine. We have already enjoyed several trips to restaurants for some fine and casual dining and there will be more activities in the community as the summer progresses. Our staff works hard to make sure this is a great place to live and work. We are committed to making sure our community members feel part of WRMC and know that they are cared for by our staff.

Independence Day, July 4th will be upon us in just a few days. We are very proud and thankful to celebrate the birthday of our country. Here at WRMC, we will be enjoying picnic food and a second year of beautiful fireworks.

At WRMC we enjoy finding as many ways to celebrate as possible. Everything from a Ladies Tea to lunch at The Farmer's Table was enjoyed by many. Let's not forget Cinco de Mayo and a variety of spring activities. Many community members enjoyed the Spring Fling with live music by a local jazz band. More great food and a good time too! Please be sure to follow us on Facebook to see more of our celebrations.

As you can see, we enjoy life WRMC. We feel like a family and we would love to have you as part of our family. Please take a look at our inspired living options and worry free maintenance services. Take a look at our chef designed culinary experience. Take a look at our beautiful campus and green spaces. Open the door and become a part of a community with friendly neighbors and smiling team members. Call us today to find out what, "Your home...Your lifestyle...Your Choice" is all about.

### LET'S GET SOCIAL!



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**TAKE A LOOK...**  
**ON OUR BACK PAGE FOR OUR**  
**BOOMING INCENTIVES!**

# COME JOIN Us!



Check out interesting facts about Western Reserve Masonic Community in the boxes like this throughout the newsletter.

## Your home...Your lifestyle...Your Choice

Take a look at our luxurious Garden Villas (above) and apartments (below)! We offer modern and spacious floor plans for those who want to maintain their active independence, while pursuing a secure and maintenance-free lifestyle.



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# ON THE *Chopping Block*

*DELECTABLE RECIPES FROM OUR EXPERT STAFF!*



Be sure to follow us on Facebook!

## 3-Step Mini Cheesecakes

Simple, delicious and quick great for serving at a party. Each mini cheesecake can be topped with your favorite fruit or topping, fresh or can.

- 2 - 8 oz cream cheese softened
  - 1/2 cup sugar
  - 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
  - 2 eggs room temp
  - 12 - 4 oz ready-to-use single serve graham cracker crusts
1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees and line the mini pie crusts up onto a baking sheet. Set aside.
  2. To a large mixing bowl, add cream cheese, sugar, and vanilla. Mix on medium speed until well blended.
  3. Add eggs and mix until smooth.
  4. Evenly pour the batter into each crust.
  5. Bake for 20 minutes or until centers are almost set.
  6. Once cooled, transfer to the fridge and let chill at least 3 hours (up to overnight).
  7. Garnish when ready to serve.

### Notes

- Start with room temperature cream cheese and eggs when making these cheesecakes. This helps the ingredients come together perfectly so you have smooth filling and not lumpy. Give them at least two hours to come to room temperature.
- Use a hand mixer or stand mixer. You really can't skip and get by hand mixing cheesecake.
- Don't over bake! Bake cheesecake until just set so it's smooth, rich, and creamy (not dry and crumbly!).
- If you don't want to use the pre-made mini graham cracker crusts, you can make these in a cupcake pan using Oreos or Nilla Wafers at the bottom for a crust variation.



If you make this recipe please take a picture, give us your feedback, post it on our Facebook page for a chance to win a gift card!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT...



### Heather Mordew, LNHA, CDP

Heather joined the WRMC team August of 2020 as Assistant Administrator for the Skilled Nursing and Assisted Living. Heather joined our team in the middle of the pandemic, where she jumped in sleeves rolled up and showed such great leadership that she is now the Administrator for WRMC. Heather came to us with years of experience in the health care field. She attended Kent State University where she received her Bachelor of Science in the following: Speech Pathology and Audiology, Human Development and Family Studies, and Nursing Home Administration.



### Krista Hoffman

Krista is our new Sales Manager and joined the WRMC team April of 2021. She was born in Akron and currently resides in Canton. Along with Ohio she has also lived in San Francisco, Visalia, and Irvine, California. She received her degree in Marketing from Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She has years of experience in hospitality and senior living. Krista has 3 children, Bryant 30, Brianne 27, and Harrison 17. She also has 2 grandchildren, Gara 5, and Lennon 2. She enjoys baking, heirloom gardening, and musical theatre. She also has a passion for women's rights and human rights.

We are so glad to have you both as part of our WRMC family!

**Did you know?**  
we have a Exercise  
Physiologist!

# Lifestyle

at  
**Western Reserve Masonic Community**

*"Take A Look.....what our community members have been up to!"*





**FACT!**  
We are pet Friendly!

## PATRIOTISM AT WESTERN RESERVE MASONIC COMMUNITY

Independence Day, also called Fourth of July or July 4th, in the United States, is the annual celebration of nationhood. It commemorates the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776.

From 1776 to the present, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues.



The community members at Western Reserve Masonic Community (WRMC) are looking forward to celebrating the day with great picnic foods, but more importantly beautiful fireworks. If you listen closely, you will hear the excitement in our community member's voices as they discuss how their lives are feeling more normal and they are looking forward to participating in the celebration.

A special thanks goes out to the Ohio Masonic Home Foundation for making this event a reality and seeing that it returned for a second year. Your caring is just one more reason that makes living at WRMC so special.

## THE OHIO MASONIC HOME FOUNDATION

### *Keeping Life in Balance*

Financial wellness consists of finding a balance among the psychological, physical, and spiritual aspects of your finances. It includes understanding financial processes related to savings, income, and debt. Financial wellness also includes learning to live within your means, making informed financial decisions and investments, and setting short and long-term goals.

#### Tips for staying financially well

- I have a good handle on my financial status.
- I have money on hand to meet my current expenses.
- I understand the issues of balancing my wants and needs, and balancing saving and spending.
- I balance my checkbook and audit my credit card statements.
- I have money on hand or available credit to deal with moderate unexpected life expenses.
- I pay my bills and file my taxes on time.
- I have people I can turn to for good help with financial matters.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Please watch our Facebook page and your US mail for upcoming events.

Did you know?  
WRMC has  
FREE Wi-Fi!

# THINKING OF MOVING?

Samantha Loy shared, "Recently, one of our community members needed to move from Independent Living to Assisted Living. Help was needed in deciding what items to take, and in finding a home care company that could assist with packing and unpacking boxes after the move. Many times there are also items that people wish to donate if they cannot or do not wish to take them with them when they move. There are a LOT of moving pieces to consider when relocating your home. We understand that this can be a very overwhelming process!"



Samantha Loy works with the Resource Center in Northeast Ohio, to assist those living on our campus at Western Reserve Masonic Community, as well as, people living in their own home! Whether support is needed to help you stay at home longer, or, help deciding what to take with you when you move, we can help. We also have financial assistance programs for Masons, their wives, widows, or Ohio Eastern Star members, that can help to pay for a moving company, and more, for those who qualify. We can also help to provide referrals or coordinate services to obtain durable medical equipment, at home care, or even home modifications or repairs, depending on what is needed. Call us today to talk over the phone or to schedule a home visit to see how we can help. You can reach Samantha, or any of our three campuses or the Resource Center, by calling 877-881-1623, for help with any clinical, financial, or social, need.

## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



## MELODY SHOCKLY

Melody, aka Mel, is the second child of June Smith. Mel moved to Medina with her mom and older brother Spencer, where she entered the Medina School System. After graduating from Medina High School she completed two years at Akron University, Wayne Branch with Food/Dietary as her main focus. She began her current career at The Oaks at Medina which we now call Western Reserve Masonic Community.

Melody raised her three boys as a divorced single mom, no easy feat at any time. She is very proud of TJ, Brandon and Josh, all are married and living within driving distance. Her family has grown to include six grandchildren, ages three-thirteen, with one "on the way." As you can imagine, her free time is filled with family picnics, children's sports and holiday dinners. Mel enjoys spending time in her garden where her flowers and the beauty of nature quiets the mind and nurtures the soul.

Mel has traveled to many states, and has compiled an extensive "bucket list" for the future. Her goals include cruising to Alaska, and the Bahamas to swim with the dolphins. To satisfy her Asian interest, Mel wants to plan a trip to Japan. Revealing her adventurist nature, Mel would also add sky diving and zip-lining through the trees to her already diversified list.

Mel attributes her success to the guidance and inspiration of her beloved mother, June. The value she lives by continues throughout her family. Her boys are raising their children with love, common sense and respect for themselves and others. Mel's own words "be honest with yourself" define her as a strong, independent and ethical woman.



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# TAKE A LOOK!

## Our Incentives are BOOMING this Summer!

Summer is in full swing! As we enjoy sunny weather and patriotic festivities, it gives us opportunities to truly live life to the fullest. Take a look at some of our booming financial advantage packages we have to offer.

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