

The AMBASSADOR

SAINT LUKE'S BISHOP SPENCER PLACE

November 2019

ACTIVITY KEY



Celebration



Movie



Theatre



Arts



Music



Nature



Excursion



Speaker



Cocktails



Dining



**Coffee &
Conversation**



Class



Health

A few words from the CEO...



Change continues to be the order of business around Bishop Spencer Place—and fun change it is! Since I last wrote, the leaves have begun to turn on the trees, and the night air has taken on a crisp chill. We've also seen the transition of the Madison Living Room. I hope you're as taken by how well it turned out as I am.

Another change occurring during the month of November and into December is the launch of our person-centered customer service approach. We'll be training all of our staff on this new way of working with one another, both with each other and with you. Watch for the light blue ribbons to appear on our badges—an indicator a team member has received the training and is now helping to spread the new culture throughout Bishop Spencer Place.

We remain committed to being "Kansas City's Premier Retirement Community"—both on the outside and the inside.

Warm regards,
Dee

Lunch and Bridge Mixer



Monday, November 4, Noon, Canterbury Dining Room

Get together with friends, eat a delicious lunch, and, best of all, play bridge! We get together on first Monday of each month, except holidays.

Please reserve your lunch with Sarah or Aggie with PB&J so they can have an accurate count for bridge foursomes.



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Movie Classic with Robert Butler: *The Circus*

Friday, November 1, 2:00 p.m.
Westport Room

In this 1928 film, Charlie Chaplin plays the tramp, who is chased around a circus by the police who think he is a pickpocket. He ducks into the big top, where his bumbling attempts to avoid pursuing police officers earn the laughter and applause of the circus-goers. Impressed, the ringmaster decides to employ the tramp as an entertainer. In between getting trapped in a lion's cage and partaking in clumsy high wire escapades, he falls for a beautiful show rider, who unfortunately has eyes for a daring tightrope acrobat.



Watercolor Class with John Keeling

Monday, November 4
1:00–2:30 p.m., Activity Center

Artist John Keeling teaches a watercolor class on the first Monday of each month.

On Mondays, November 11, 18, and 25, enjoy Open Art from 1–2 p.m. in the Activity Center.



Whole Foods Market

Tuesday, November 5
BSP bus departs at 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a trip to the Whole Foods Market in Brookside. The store features fresh produce from farms in Missouri and Kansas, local wines and spirits, meals and local brews in the Fountain Room, and coffee, drinks in the Allegro Coffee Bar.

Sign up with the concierge.



Artist Reception: Monty Brown

Wednesday, November 6
4:00 p.m., Art Gallery

Join us to for the opening reception of resident Monty Brown's second show in the BSP gallery! Monty will use a poem on creativity to introduce his latest Energy Art, which has different paintings on each side of the canvas.

ARTWORK BY LISA GROSSMAN



In our recently redecorated Canterbury Dining Room, we have hung two large,



exquisite paintings by Lisa Grossman. Lisa Grossman is a painter and printmaker based in Lawrence, Kansas, whose work focuses on the open space of Eastern Kansas. Our paintings are of the Kaw River. She is a 2009 recipient of the Kansas Arts Commission's Mid-Career Fellowship.





Spirituality & All That Jazz

Wednesday, November 6
BSP bus departs at 6:30 p.m.

This month, Millie Edwards & Rod Fleeman perform with Tim Whitmer and The Consort Band.

Sign up with the concierge.



Speaker Series: Mina Steen

Thursday, November 7
3:00 p.m., Westport Room

On June 22, 1944, President Franklin Roosevelt signed The Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944—more commonly known as the G.I. Bill. Kansan Harry W. Colmery, an attorney from Topeka and former national commander of the American Legion, wrote the initial proposal for the bill longhand on stationery and napkins while staying in the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C. He wanted to avoid a similar situation faced by veterans returning from World War I—unemployment and poverty. Mina Steen, a good friend of BSP's and Mr. Colmery's granddaughter, discusses the pursuit to grant Mr. Colmery the Presidential Medal of Honor for his contribution.



Opus 76

Friday, November 8, 3:00 p.m.
Madison Living Room

Join us for the third in a series of Opus 76 concerts sponsored by BSP resident Bernie Jones.

To mark the 250th anniversary of composer Ludwig van Beethoven, the Opus 76 quartet will perform a cycle of all the composer's string quartets—considered by many to be his greatest work. By now, you all have received a synopsis and complete bios of each of the musicians, again, thanks to Bernie.



Lunch & Learn: Take My Course, Please!

Monday, November 11
Lunch: 11:30 a.m.–12:00 noon
Program starts at 12:00 noon
Westport Room

We continue the course on the philosophy of humor, taught by Steven Gimbel, Ph.D., professor of philosophy at Gettysburg College.

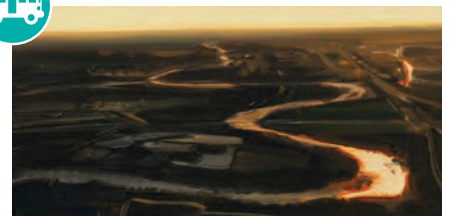
Sign up with the concierge by Saturday, November 9, to allow PB&J time to prepare our lunch (10 pts).



Veterans Day Remembrance and Singalong

Monday, November 11, 3:00 p.m.
Madison Living Room

Join us as we honor our veterans and show appreciation for the sacrifices they made for our freedom. We will host a Veterans Day Remembrance Singalong with Dan Sturdevant, PB&J warbler Calvin, and residents Bert Bates and David Zoller.



Lisa Grossman, 173.35
East Topeka M77, 2018.

Haw/Contemporary Gallery: Lisa Grossman

Wednesday, November 13
BSP bus departs at 2:00 p.m.

Join us on an excursion to the Haw/Contemporary Gallery for an exhibition of works by Lisa Grossman, the artist who created the two paintings in our Canterbury Dining Room. We will also see a new exhibition by 94-year-old painter Wilbur Niewald, professor emeritus of the KCAI.



Wilbur Niewald

Sign up with the concierge.

NOVEMBER 2019

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3 10:00 Holy Eucharist CH 2:00 PFL Charlie the Pom RR 2:15 Sunday Movie CD 3:00 Bingo YL	4 11:00 Stretch & Strengthen CD 1:30 Puzzle Hour 3:00 Pianist Donna Maddox YL 4:30 Men's Club P	5 9:30 Coffee & Donuts CD 11:00 Walking Club 1:30 Gin Rummy 3:00 Bingo YD 6:15 Game Night YL	6 11:00 Stretch & Strengthen CD 1:00 PFL Jan & Badger RR 3:00 Pianist Lenn Anderson YL	7 11:00 Walking Club 1:00 PFL Fred & Nelson RR 1:30 Manicures RR 3:00 Bingo CD	8 11:00 Stretch & Strengthen CD 1:30 Chair Volleyball WR 3:00 Opus 76 Concert MLR	9 11:00 Exercise CD 11:00 Rosary CH 2:00 Saturday Movie CD
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❖ see Clark A. for Saturday and Sunday Ping-Pong times

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Speaker Series: Melinda Henneberger

Thursday, November 14

3:00 p.m., Westport Room

BSP is proud to welcome Melinda Henneberger, a member of the editorial board of the *Kansas City Star*. In April 2019, she was named a Pulitzer Prize finalist for commentary. In the nomination, the committee praised her “spare and courageous writing.”

Melinda writes a monthly column for *USA Today* and was previously a reporter for the *Dallas Morning News*, *New York Newsday*, and the *New York Times*, where she worked for ten years as a Washington correspondent and Rome bureau chief.

Thank you to BSP resident Katie Gusewelle for arranging Melinda’s talk.



Sam Wisman Trio

Friday, November 15, 3:00 p.m.
Madison Living Room

We welcome back BSP favorite, Sam Wisman, playing with Jeff Harshbarger on bass, and Gary Adams on piano.



ART BLOCKS: Donna Houtteman

Monday, November 18

3:00 p.m., Westport Room

We will continue the series *American Art: Colonial through Contemporary* with Donna Houtteman. Discover how American art reflects the time and place in which it was made, from the early pioneers to the birth of our nation, through peaceful times and times of war.



Speaker Series: Doug Hundley

Tuesday, November 19

3:00 p.m., Westport Room

Doug Hundley will present the program *Kansas, Thick and Thin*, discussing the vastness of the Kansas prairie and the people who have persevered there through thick and thin. A big thank you to BSP resident George Dooley for connecting us with Doug!

RESIDENT MEETING

Monday, November 25
11:00 a.m.

Madison Living Room

We will reveal the new Madison council members.



Bollywood Movie: *Tamasha*

Wednesday, November 20

2:00 p.m., Westport Room

In this 2015 Indian romantic comedy recommended by BSP resident Phill Levi, a young man and woman explore Corsica without revealing their true identities.



Humberto Sierralta

Thursday, November 21

3:00 p.m., Madison Living Room

Pianist Humberto Sierralta is back to enchant us with a holiday music concert!



KU Kirmayer Weekly Aqua Fitness Class

Weekly on Fridays

BSP bus departs 10:45 a.m.

Our first class was Oct. 25.

Please sign up with Helen or a concierge each week. You will need a membership (BSP will reimburse you), so get your forms from Helen before your initial trip. Floors in the dressing room and around the pool can be slippery; please wear appropriate footwear.

Chaplain's CORNER

What do we have to be thankful for? These are a few of *my* favorite things. The breath of life every day. Friends. Family. Pets. Garden vistas. Changing seasons. Music. Favorite foods. Belly laughs. New beginnings and the grace that makes them possible. How about you? When it comes to thanksgivings, what's on *your* list?

Take time this Thanksgiving to acknowledge all that blesses you. Give thanks to the One from whom those blessings flow—and give thanks to (and for) those through whom they flow as well.

I give thanks to the Lord with all my heart. (Psalm 9:1)

—Chaplain Kathy Hall

Roman Catholic Mass

Father Bob, Tuesdays, November 12 & 26, 9:30 a.m., Chapel

Thanksgiving Service

Wednesday, November 27, 3:00 p.m., Chapel

We will celebrate the Eucharist.

The History of Christianity: In the Reformation Era

Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19 & 26, 11:00 a.m.

Westport Room

We will continue working our way through church history, focusing on the Reformation. **Please note: This month we will meet in the Westport Room only on November 19. On all other dates, we will meet in the Jefferson living room.**

Pray the Rosary

Saturdays, 11:00 a.m., Chapel

Café Hope

Wednesday, November 20, 11:00 a.m., Chapel

Good Book Reading Group

Monday, November 25, 3:00 p.m., Chapel

We will discuss *Evvie Drake Starts Over* by Linda Holmes, available in print, electronic, and audiobook formats.



Thanksgiving Movie: *Planes, Trains, and Automobiles*

Thursday, November 28

3:00 p.m., Westport Room

In this 1987 John Hughes film starring Steve Martin and John Candy, an uptight ad exec struggles to get home for Thanksgiving, accompanied by a good-natured but annoying shower curtain ring salesman.



Betse & Clarke & Friends Jam Session

Friday, November 29

4:00 p.m., Madison Living Room

It's a singalong and folk music jam! Betse & Clarke (of resident Bobbie Ellis fame) lead the session with friends, including Liz Boyer, daughter of resident Harriett Kokjer. Along with songs chosen by the musicians, we'll sing old favorites like "Red River Valley" and more, with lyrics provided!

THANKSGIVING

Thursday, November 28

The BSP office, PS Salon, and Bistro will be closed.

Enjoy your holiday!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Audrey Zollars, November 1
Louise Nyberg, November 11
Janette Rushing, November 11
Jean Murray, November 14
Julia Murray, November 14
Virginia O'Brien, November 14
Jean Quinn, November 20
Niki Ehernberger, November 20
Mary Beveridge, November 23
Joan Zoller, November 25
Katie Gusewelle, November 25
Willadean Berglund, November 26
Joe Kinkaid, November 27
Robert McElwain, November 28
Joe Brennan, November 30

IN LOVING MEMORY



Charlotte Bliss
Susie Harman
Evelyn Smith

Thoughtful Quotes from BSP Folks

Shared by Ann Atkin:

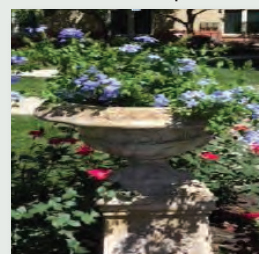
It's not our job to fix people, change people, or judge people. It's our job to love people.

—anonymous



Garden TIME

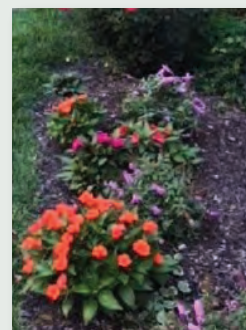
Hope you all were able to enjoy what became the most beautiful floral displays ever in the Memorial Garden this past season. Members



of the Garden Committee graciously lent their ideas, flower preparations, knowledge,

research, and the physical labor of watering, dead-heading, scrubbing of the birdbath, and general trimming of flowering plants. Gardens do not retain their initial beauty by themselves. The Committee is happy to assist. Your Garden Committee will have a couple of surprises for your Memorial Garden next year.

Include a stroll in your garden this month. The *Old Farmer's Almanac* shows our region, the heartland, to be sunny and mild November 8-15!



Remember these beauties of Summer 2019!

—Bobbie Ellis

NOTE | We will not hold **The Great Courses: Foundations of Western Civilization** in November.



Cocktail Hour

WITH TOM ROBERTS

Friday, November 22, 4:30 p.m.

Madison Living Room | Canterbury Dining Room

Tom will perform while wine is served, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Listen while you sit in the Pub, dine in the Canterbury Dining Room, or enjoy wine and cocktails in the Madison Living Room. Daily special and full dinner menu is available, also with complimentary drinks.

