



Works to attract funding to improve the lifestyle and general well being of our new residents.

The official hand over for Stage One of Howard Solomon Residential Estate shall occur mid August and shortly thereafter we shall transfer 65 residents from our old facility to the new. All stakeholders are very excited about this event and I am sure you will hear more about the wonderful lifestyle opportunities and services provided to our residents. The commissioning of our new Howard Solomon buildings will allow greater services to be provided to our residents and we envisage a range of health and well being services to be offered to our external residents and membership with other services being introduced to our metropolitan villages.

In the meantime operational requirements must be achieved and I refer to the re-accreditation of our 3 resident funded villages and Howard Solomon Residential Estate, not to mention the end of the financial year responsibilities and annual reporting.

Our June report brings with it a time for celebration as many of the project developments undertaken by Freemasons WA near completion. I have reported earlier regarding the acquisition of Scottish Masonic Homes and can proudly advise that FWA now owns and operates the village. SMH consists of 79 homes or units and is situated behind our Lawley Park and Roy Collins Village, adjacent to Alexander Drive Menora. We look forward to utilizing our accredited Growth Provider Status through the Department of Housing &

The "Secret Garden" becomes "Garden of Remembrance"

On Wednesday 29th April approximately fifty Corinthian Court and Keith Simpson village residents gathered at the garden at the rear of Studio 26 for a short dedication service conducted by Canon Richard Pengelley (son-in-law of the garden's creator, Ron Patching).

Family representatives of ten residents who have passed away during the past seven years placed flowers on the seat which bears plaques with the names of the deceased. The seat also has an inscription which reads - REST IN PEACEAND ENJOY THE BEAUTY OF THIS GARDEN.

Following the short service residents enjoyed morning tea in the Club Lounge, provided by Freemasons WA.



Easter Treat for Corinthian Court and Keith Simpson Villages

When our residents celebrate Easter they really do it in style! Forty five residents from Corinthian Court and Keith Simpson Villages, keen for a good day out, were picked up by a bus on Friday the 3rd of April and whisked away to lunch.

The destination for the fine food, fun and frivolities was the Pavilion Restaurant at the Joondalup TAFE Education Centre and Training Facilities. The Pavilion served up a three course meal which was greatly enjoyed by everyone. It was declared a top day out and left no doubt in anyone's mind that the best food always tastes even better when enjoyed in good company.

Pictured is resident Phyllis McLernon well and truly ready for her appointment with good food, good friends and good times.



St Patrick's Day Happy Hour at Ashlar Glen and Dianella

The 17th of March is a great day for the Irish and for that matter, everyone who enjoys a celebration with good company in fine style.

Ashlar Glen and Dianella villages mark this special day every year with a Happy Hour and this year attracted 40 residents to the function. Also of particular note at this year's party was a very special guest in the personage of the most handsome and charming Leprechaun anyone can ever recall meeting. His name is Declan Reilly who is very nearly five whole years of age. Declan was the personal guest of his grandparents Glenn and Mavis Coughlan who were very proud to be accompanied by their own personal Leprechaun.

Needless to say, together Declan, Glenn and Mavis won the prize for the best dressed family, but with Declan on side how could they possibly lose, with or without the luck of the Irish!?



Albany Fashion Fundraiser

Unlike the famous Hollywood movie star of the same name, our Betty Davis does not necessarily command all the resources of the rich movie moguls to stage a significant social event.

But this would never deter our Betty Davis of the Albany Village who used all her skill to organize and stage a fashion show and morning tea in aid of the

Australian Cancer Council. One hundred and twenty people attended the parade and raised a highly creditable \$1084.

Betty you may not be in the movies but you are a genuine star.

Bad taste Friday for Ashlar Glen and Dianella

Fun and laughter was the principle ingredient of the highly successful "Bad taste dress" dinner party held on Friday 3rd April at Ashlar Glen and Dianella Villages.

It would be reasonable to say that most of the laughter was caused by the outrageous costumes worn by many of the party goers. However, it also has to be said that king and queen of bad taste fashion were undoubtedly Norm and Naomi Ennis who entered the room to gales of uncontrolled laughter. There is also a special mention for Margaret Canham, who at ninety nine years young is a regular attendee at many of the Village social functions, for her extraordinary hat!

Whilst there can be no doubt that the average standard of dress was in absolute bad taste we are happy to report that the same cannot be said about

the food. Soup, meat pie and potato followed by fruit salad and ice cream was served to sixty nine hungry residents and greatly enjoyed by all.

The entertainment was provided by Perth's own squeezebox maestro and troubadour extraordinaire, Peter Harries.

The Social Events Committee wish to thank the residents for their support of this function which has been described as "one of the happiest" social functions ever held at Ashlar Glen and Dianella Villages. We are reliably informed that there could be a follow up event in the future and we are sure that the residents would in turn like to thank the committee for all their hard work and dedication.



Norm and Naomi Ennis



Margaret Canham



Bill and Grace Schultz

Dawn Service at Kingsley

Every ANZAC day the residents of the Corinthian Court and Keith Simpson Villages combine to honor all the Australian heroes of past actions fought by our boys and girls of the armed forces and support services.

They stood in silence at daybreak to give thanks for those who paid the ultimate price for our freedom and for those who were mercifully returned to us.

After the solemn ceremony the veterans together with friends enjoyed a traditional Australian breakfast and no doubt, judging by some of the medals on display, some ripping yarns and memories from the past.

To all the veterans in the Freemasons WA Villages we hope you all had a wonderful day and offer our Heartfelt thanks for all the privileges of freedom and peace we enjoy today.



Lorna's gift for gardening and her tips for keeping fit

There is no better way to keep fit than by doing something active that you really love. That's the philosophy of Mrs. Lorna Tyson, resident of Albany Village.

Lorna is another of our clever "green thumb brigade" that has a special gift for growing plants. Those who know Lorna says she has a little secret that allows her to successfully grow anything that is touched by her fingers. This is well and truly in evidence from the wonderful variety of plants on display in the photograph of her lovely cottage style garden in Albany. Everything from blooming roses to sweet scented stocks and perky petunias are looking in the pink (or in the case of the stocks, blue).

Lorna has worked her special magic on numerous gardens over the years and is happy that her efforts and skills are appreciated and help to make the village a prettier place to live.

Lorna also says that keeping fit is very important regardless of what age you

are. Gardening is a wonderful way to exercise in the clean crisp Western Australian air. So, thank you Lorna, for the good advice and thank you for brightening up our world.



Meet and Greet in Albany

Freemasons WA's Mystique Oliver, Client Services Officer and Sue Huxley, Operations Manager traveled to beautiful Albany on Wednesday 1st April to meet the residents for morning tea in the Albany Social Centre.

Sue and Mystique say it was a wonderful opportunity to meet all the residents and to be able to answer all

their questions over a nice hot morning cupper. They added that there were about twenty residents who attended the meeting and that they enjoyed getting to know everyone and now look forward to a return visit at the very next opportunity.

