

# *The Calvary Messenger*

## *The Newsletter of The Gardens at Calvary*

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Have you noticed all the polling taking place as the election prognosticators try to predict ahead of the election who will be the candidates and who will win? In addition to these polls there are also polls on the President's and Congress's approval ratings. The one that caused me pause was the one that asked, "How well do you think God is doing?"

Does one who is created judge the Creator? Does God need our approval? Do we set the standard for God's performance and then measure His progress? Have we lost our minds that we should dare consider such a thing? Are we so arrogant to think that we could evaluate the Creator? Does such not presuppose that we are above the Creator?

The first "poll taker" I heard propose this wanted his listeners to respond to his poll by considering God's performance in such things as tsunamis, hurricanes, earthquakes and the like.

Well here's something to consider. When a tsunami strikes it washes some of the land and debris out to sea. Marine biologists tell us that this replenishes the ocean and helps nearby sea life bringing restoration to the biosphere.

When we first moved to Columbus in 1996, the water levels in the reservoirs were so low it was reported that it would take the rain from three hurricanes to bring levels back to normal.

While we would not wish disaster on anyone, there does seem to be some benefit to these events.

Listen to the words of Paul:

*"No, don't say that. Who are you, a mere human being, to criticize God? Should the thing that was created say to the one who made it, "Why have you made me like this?"*  
Romans 9:20 (NLT)

Job requested an audience with the Almighty to argue his case before Him and this is what he got:

*Then the Lord said to Job, [2] "Do you still want to argue with the Almighty? You are God's critic, but do you have the answers?"*  
Job 40:1-2 (NLT)

Interestingly, as I have been writing this article an earthquake struck in Virginia where my daughter now lives and Hurricane Irene is looming. I don't think I want to judge or argue with God.

Would you? *Vern*

ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

September-11

Day	Time	Event
2	2:30	Ride Around Town
6	2:30	Activity Council
	3:00	Resident Council
7	10:00	Rivertown Dancers
	3:00	Meet and Greet w/ Verlin Perry
9	3:30	K Mart
12	11:00	Merry Makers
	12:30	Celebrate America Parade
	2:00	Glitz and Glamour w/ Convalescent Care
13	2:00	Inspirational Speech w/ Jeff Strucker
14	2:00	As American As Apple Pie
	6:30	Bingorama w/Calvary Youth
15	2:00	America: A Walk Through Time
	3:00	Homemade Ice Cream
16	10:00	Wheelchair & Walker Clinic w/Convalescent Care
	1:30	Cracker Jacks and <i>A Baseball Matinee</i>
	3:00	Dollar Store
19	2:30	Wal Mart
21	10:00	Red Hat Society
	12:30	Piano w/Lesh Mezur
	2:30	Birthday Party w/ Dingalings
	6:30	Praise and Worship w/ Calvary Baptist
23	11:00	Out to Eat- TBA
	2:00	Crafts w/Terry
26	3:00	Bingo Bucks Cash In
28	3:00	Apple Deliver Ride Around
30	2:30	The Gems

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
28-Aug	29-Aug	30-Aug
4-Sep	5-Sep	6-Sep
10:00 Catholic LEM Comes	Offices	9:30 Chair Exercise
10:00 Sunday School (Activity Room)	Are	9:45 Parachute Exercise
2:00 Chapel Service	Closed	10:00 2&3 Nail Care
	Happy Labor Day	2:30 Activity Council
		3:00 Resident Council
		3:30 Bingo
11-Sep	12-Sep	13-Sep
10:00 Catholic LEM Comes	8:10 Pledge to America	9:30 Chair Exercise
10:00 Sunday School (Activity Room)	9:30 Chair Exercise	9:45 Stretching Exercise
2:00 Chapel Service	9:45 Advanced Exercise	10:00 2&3 Nail Care
Grandparents Day	10:00 News, Comments, and Coffee	2:00 Inspirational Speech w/Jeff Strueker
	11:00 Merry Makers	3:30 Bingo
	12:30 Celebrate America Parade	
	2:00 Glitz & Glamour	
18-Sep	19-Sep	20-Sep
10:00 Catholic LEM Comes	9:30 Chair Exercise	9:30 Chair Exercise
10:00 Sunday School (Activity Room)	9:45 Advanced Exercise	9:45 Parachute Exercise
2:00 Chapel Service	10:00 News, Comments, and Coffee	10:00 2&3 Nail Care
	2:00 Bridge	1:30 Matinee <i>King of the Wind</i>
	2:30 Wal Mart	3:30 Bingo
25-Sep	26-Sep	27-Sep
10:00 Catholic LEM Comes	9:30 Chair Exercise	9:30 Chair Exercise
10:00 Sunday School (Activity Room)	9:45 Advanced Exercise	9:45 Stretching Exercise
2:00 Chapel Service	10:00 News, Comments, and Coffee	10:00 2&3 Nail Care
	3:00 Bingo Bucks Cash In	1:30 Matinee <i>The Derby Statllion</i>
		3:30 Bingo

## **The Garden's Christmas Party**

**"Can you believe it's getting that time already?!!"**

**The Gardens at Calvary Residents & Families Christmas Party.**

**WHEN: Friday December 16, 2011**

**WHERE: Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall**

**TIME: Meal serving time starts @ 6:00 P.M.**

**There will be a charge for families & guest.**

**All residents will be paid for by The Garden's.**

**We will need a RSVP & payment no later than Monday December 12, 2011.**

**There will be more information coming, but wanting you to be able to mark your calendars early. Prices & menu coming in October's newsletter.**

**Please watch for further information, Hope to see you there!!**

**Belinda McGahee-  
Food Service Director**

## **"Cell Phones for Soldiers Project"**

Please donate Old cell phones  
They will be mailed to AT&T at the end of October for recycling  
For every Phone donated, AT&T will mail a Phone Card to a soldier serving in Afghanistan/Iraq so they can place calls back home to their families  
Container located in main lobby near the  
Administrative Office Entrance

## **Walk To End Alzheimer's**

**Help End Alzheimer's**

**Please Purchase Your Purple Flower For Display In The Lobby and Dining Room. \$1 Dollar Donations Accepted In The Gardens and Green House Office**

**The Columbus Memory Walk Will Be On Saturday, October 29, 2011**

**Located In Uptown Columbus  
1100 Broadway-9 AM Check In**

**For More Information**

**Log Onto**

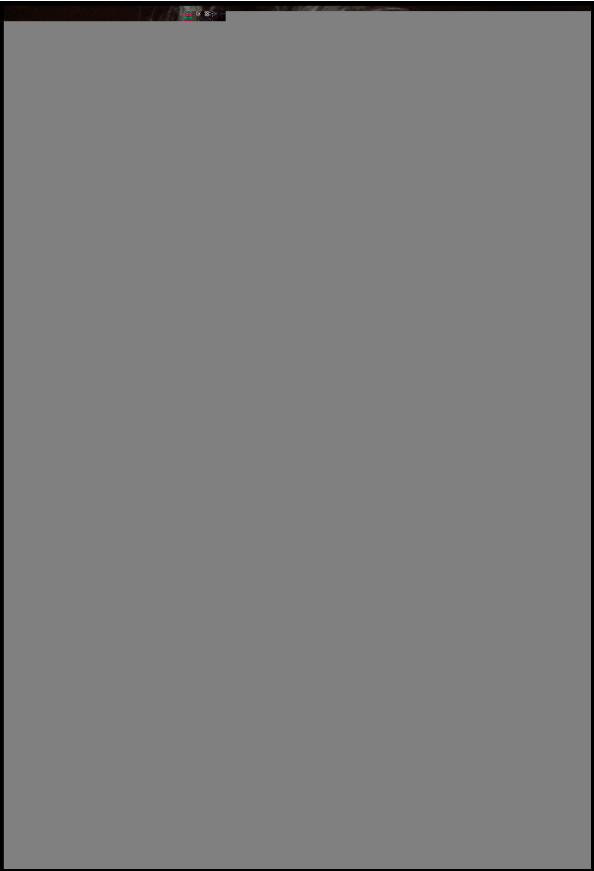
**[www.georgiawalk.org](http://www.georgiawalk.org)**

**Click on "Columbus"**



# *Our Shining Star*

Mrs. Kay Smith was born in Griffin, Georgia. She is married to Mr. Jeff Smith. Mrs. Kay has two stepchildren and six grandchildren. She has lived in various areas of the country throughout her life. Her hobbies include painting, drawing, arts, crafts, bingo and playing cards. Mrs. Kay has been fortunate to travel to 33 of the 50 states in the U.S. Of all the places that she has traveled, she loved growing up in Manchester and living in California. She loved the ocean mountains, deserts, and snow in California. Mrs. Kay has lived at the Gardens for four months. She likes the friendliness of the staff and residents best about the Gardens. When asked what advice she has about life, she stated, “Live each day to the fullest for the Lord.”



*Kay Smith*

*All Star Staff Member*

Meagan Perry was born and raised in Columbus, Georgia. She is currently a student at Columbus State University. Meagan has worked for the Gardens at Calvary for almost two years.. In her free time, she enjoys reading, camping, and fishing. She has done very little travel but plans to travel more in the future. When asked what she likes best about the Gardens, she stated , that she enjoys the friends that she has made.” When asked what advice she has about good living, she stated, “Always do what you think is best.”



*Meagan Perry*

## National Assisted Living Week

This year's National Assisted Living Week is September 11-17. Because this year's National Assisted Living Week begins on the 10 year anniversary of 9/11, it was important for the theme to reflect the pride we feel as citizens and active members of the community. The events of 9/11 were tragic, but they also brought our country together. Countrymen helping countrymen and a spirit of rebuilding helped to foster a renewed sense of national pride for many. But it is not just national pride that "Forever Proud" addresses. Pride in a life of work done well. Pride in an achievement that will outlive its creator. This is a time to celebrate what has been and will be accomplished. A proud moment or event is something we never forget. This is an opportunity to share these moments with the community and those we love. Assisted Living communities around the country will be celebrating, remembering, and showing their pride together.

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

### ELDERS

8: Berta Rainey  
9: Walter Langroth  
12: Grace Dean Wood  
13: Emmett Storey  
15: Jenie Howard  
17: Ann Littleton  
20: Joy Howell  
23: Carolyn Gnann  
24: Kathryn Reynolds  
25: Elsie Lucas

### STAFF

10: Larry Moore  
25: Toni Hale  
27: Angela Robinson

### ANNIVERSARIES

Jacqueline Hamm	10 Years
Angela Robinson	7 Years
Sherry Hall	3 Years
LaTanja Peabody	1 Year

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS

Evelyn Howell

Join us for our Meet & Greet Social on Wednesday, September 7, at 3:00 as we welcome our new neighbor.

# July Memories



Enjoying Root Beer Floats At The Meet And Greet!



Cale Dodds Singing Oldies But Goodies At The Meet And Greet



Mr. Simmons Enjoying Time At Lane Packing Company With Friends And Family



Mr. Mike and Mrs. Grace Dean Wood Posing at Lane Packing Company



Happy Birthday!



Celebrating August Birthday Party With The Young Spirits

# September-11

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31-Aug	1-Sep	2-Sep	3-Sep
	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:50 Bible Study 11:00 1st Nail Care  1:30 Men's Nail Care 3:30 Bingo	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Wii Sports  2:30 Ride Around Town	10:30 Bingo  1:45 Movie Time <i>Two Bits &amp; Pepper</i>
7-Sep	8-Sep	9-Sep	10-Sep
9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Rivertown Dancers  1:00 Pedicures in Beauty Shop 3:00 Meet and Greet w/ Verlin Perry	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:50 Bible Study 11:00 1st Nail Care  1:30 Matinee <i>Dark Horse</i> 3:30 Bingo	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Wii Sports  2:00 Crafts w/Terry 3:30 K Mart	10:30 Bingo  1:45 Movie Time <i>Spy Mate</i>
14-Sep	15-Sep	16-Sep	17-Sep
9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Volleyball 1:00 Pedicures in Beauty Shop 2:00 As American As Apple Pie 6:30 Bingorama w/ Calvary Youth	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:50 Bible Study 11:00 1st Nail Care  2:00 America: A Walk Through Time 3:00 Homemade Ice Cream	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Wheelchair & Walker Clinic w/Convalescent Care  1:30 Cracker Jacks and <i>A Baseball Matinee</i> 3:00 Dollar Store	10:30 Bingo  1:45 Movie Time <i>Gordy</i>
21-Sep	22-Sep	23-Sep	24-Sep
9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Red Hat Society 12:30 Piano w/Lesh Mezur 2:30 Birthday Party w/ Dingalings 6:30 Praise and Worship w/ Calvary Baptist Youth	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:50 Bible Study 11:00 1st Nail Care  3:30 Bingo	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Wii Sports 11:00 Out to Eat TBA 2:00 Crafts w/Terry	10:30 Bingo  1:45 Movie Time <i>Into the West</i>
28-Sep	29-Sep	30-Sep	1-Oct
9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Volleyball  1:00 Pedicures in Beauty Shop 3:00 Apple Deliver Ride Around Good Neighbor Day	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:50 Bible Study 11:00 1st Nail Care  3:30 Bingo	9:30 Chair Exercise 9:45 Advanced Exercise 10:00 Wii Sports  2:30 The Gems	

## Assisted Living Services

- Three meals daily
- Medication management and/or monitoring
- Scheduled transportation
- 24 hour staffing
- Assistance with personal care needs
- Security alarm system
- Social, spiritual and cultural activities
- Personal laundry service
- Fire sprinklers & smoke detectors
- All utilities (except telephone)
- Call pendants

## The Gardens at Calvary Administrative Team

**Lisa Dodgen, R.N.**  
*Managing Director*

**Joy Stilwell**  
*Marketing Director*

**Belinda McGahee**  
*Dietary Director*

**Sherry Hall**  
*Director Resident Services*

**LaTanja Peabody**  
*Activities Director*

**Pam Aldridge**  
*Office Manager*

**Larry Moore**  
*Building and Grounds Director*

**Vern Jordin, MDIV**  
*Chaplain*



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