To better reflect the active and engaging lifestyle it offers individuals age 60 and older, the Masonic Home of New Jersey has been renamed the Masonic Village at Burlington. The new brand was revealed during the ribbon cutting of a new model duplex cottage on Wednesday, March 16th.

The new name, logo and slogan, “Carefree Living,” were selected following focus groups with residents and family members, prospective residents, staff, donors, volunteers, Masons and community members.

“The name brand connotes the sense of vitality and community our residents, employees and visitors feel on campus every day,” Anthony Montuori, chairman of the Masonic Charity Foundation board, said. “Built upon the values of Freemasonry, Masonic Village is committed to a high level of quality and personal attention.”

The first phase of cottage construction could include up to 72 duplex cottages with completion expected by spring 2017. Floor plans include two-bedroom and two-bedroom den options with between 1,945 and 2,350 square feet. Traditional entrance fees range from $225,000 to $279,000.

Monthly services fees vary according to the type of cottage and payment plan selected, as well as the number of occupants. Ranging between $1,959 and $2,832, the fee covers a flexible dining plan, twice monthly housekeeping, maintenance of furnished appliances and repairs in residences, heating/air conditioning, water, sewer, electric, property taxes, trash removal, security, grounds maintenance (snow removal), scheduled transportation and use of amenities throughout the 450-acre campus.

The Masonic Village at Burlington serves Masons and non-Masons alike. For individuals interested in learning more about retirement living, Masonic Village is hosting open houses on April 12th and 25th at 10 a.m. The events will feature a 60-minute presentation, tours and lunch. Those interested in attending may contact the marketing office at 877-544-2273 for more details.
Family Matters is a newsletter that is designed to keep families and significant others abreast of important information and events happening at our Home. We believe **families truly matter**. This publication is published quarterly.

Write to us anytime if you have questions or concerns on any topic. Send your e-mail to: WriteHome@njmasonic.org A link to WriteHome@njmasonic.org can be found on our website homepage www.njmasonic.org

Email safety concerns to: safety@njmasonic.org
Greetings Residents, Friends and Family!

I think Spring has finally sprung! Our clocks are turned ahead and the trees are beginning to bud. What a pretty time of year!

As always, things are springing up all around our community.

To name a few, you can see from the first page of this edition of “Family Matters”, that the Masonic Home of NJ has a new name! We are very excited about our new name, Masonic Village at Burlington! This new name is part of our rebranding efforts as we continue to grow with enhanced services and look towards our future of providing housing to individuals 60 year of age and older along with health care services. While we are “home” to many, being called a Village doesn’t limit us to providing typical nursing home services. We are more than that! On campus we provide housing options (and hopefully in the near future cottage homes) ranging from 85 one-two bedroom rental apartments, 75 comprehensive personal care suites (Assisted Living) and 264 licensed nursing home suites. In addition to that we also provide some onsite health care and wellness services, we are home to Acacia Hospice and also support a Children’s Dyslexia Learning Center; clearly a Village. Our new model cottages are now open. Please call the Marketing team at 609-239-3890 to arrange a tour.

On April 22nd (Earth Day) we will be celebrating the completion of our Clean Energy Infrastructure project which included converting our steam boilers into hot water boilers and a natural gas ENER-G Rudox CHP system with a steam to LTHW Heating Conversion (in essence our new system actually helps generate electricity, reducing the need draw from outside utility services). This new system makes Masonic Village at Burlington one of the most sustainable senior living communities in the country.

Finally, we realize visitor parking can sometimes be a challenge. If you are a visitor to one of our residents in the Keystone Center or Cedar Commons, we encourage you to park in the parking lot in front of the Chapel (and behind our Masonic Charity Foundation building. You can use the entrance to the right of the Chapel entrance to enter. There is a buzzer and camera there so that you can be let in when arriving. When leaving, if necessary, you can also push the buzzer to the right of the door to leave. To access this parking area, you can either come through our main entrance on Jacksonville Road and make an immediate left and follow the drive around to the parking lot. In addition, you can access this parking lot off of Oxmead Road (close to the intersection of Oxmead and Jacksonville Roads).

I look forward to seeing you around the Village. My contact information is below if you should ever want to contact me.

With warm regards,

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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Cottage Models

Above: Models are now open!

Left: Future cottage residents that attended the ribbon cutting ceremony.
The Marketing Department cordially invites families and friends to learn more about Carefree Living at the Masonic Village at Burlington.

If you would like to learn more about the expansion plans for our retirement living cottages and wish to take advantage of the many amenities and services available as a resident of our new cottages, please contact Marketing at 1-877-544-2273.

Our next Open House Presentations are scheduled for the following dates:

- April 12
- April 25
- May 31
- June 9
- June 21
When Mrs. Fannie M. Federico first entered Cedar Commons (Assisted Living) at our Masonic Village in Burlington, son Bill Federico made almost daily visits to see her. “It’s only a 15 minute drive,” Bill says. “So I could look in on mom on my way home from work, and help to get her settled.” Soon though, Bill remembers that Rickie (as his mom was known to her friends) began looking at her watch during his visits. He recalls, “She would say, ‘Thanks for stopping in to see me – but there’s an activity going on in the Bistro that I’d like to go to.’” From then on, Bill would call before stopping in to visit, and notes that he “wouldn’t worry if she didn’t pick up the phone.”

Throughout her three years as a resident, Rickie took full advantage of the many activities planned for the residents, and made many friends. From bingo to Wii bowling, trivia quizzes to card games, and special parties to visiting entertainers, Rickie enjoyed the many opportunities to stay active. Bill was so pleased that his mother was happy and content.

When Mrs. Federico passed away peacefully at the end of last year, Bill felt that the Masonic Village’s staff had made her feel as though she was part of another family. He and his wife Karen, as well as many other members of their extended family, were so grateful for the care that Mrs. Federico received that they decided to direct all memorial donations toward a special item. “Activities were such a big part of my mom’s experience, so we wanted to do something all the residents would enjoy,” Bill says. He then spearheaded the effort to raise $600 for a new flat screen TV for the Parlor in Cedar Commons.

At the special reception held to unveil the new TV, many residents recalled that Rickie was a big part of their lives as well. “We just couldn’t continue our weekly card games without her.” Bill made sure to invite several of his brethren from Mt. Moriah Lodge #28 in Bordentown, and notes, “Little did I know when I was newly learning about the brotherhood of Masonry that this fine organization would be caring for my mom.” Our heartfelt thanks go to the Federico family for this generous donation, and for your thoughtful involvement with our community here in Burlington.
Celebrate National Healthcare Decisions Day by joining

Masonic Village at Burlington

1st floor Conference Room

Friday, April 15, 2016

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Come learn about the importance of Advanced Care Planning and pick up an Advanced Directive (Living Will) and POLST.

Learn more about National Healthcare Decisions Day and get free information at www.nationalhealthcaredecisionsday.org
UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Resident Town Hall Meeting – Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 14th

Evening Service – Chapel at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 14th

National Healthcare Decision Day - 1st Floor Conference Room from 9:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, April 15th.

Concert – DeMasi Middle School Choir – Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 18th

Acacia Hospice Memorial Service – Chapel at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 18th

Earth Day and Clean Energy & Sustainability Celebration - Power House at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 22nd

Evening Service with Laudette Choir – Chapel at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26th

Concert – Singing Hearts Choral Society of Southern New Jersey – Chapel at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 2nd

National Day of Prayer Service – Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 5th

Happy Mother’s Day on Sunday, May 8th

Concert – American’s Boy Choir of Princeton – Chapel at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 9th

Trip - BCIT Annual Senior Prom (Dinner and Dancing) – Buses departure 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11th

Evening Service with Missionettes from Fountain Life Center – Chapel at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11th

Trip - Burlington Choir Festival Trip (Masonic Choirs will be part again of the Festival) – 6:00 p.m. - Choirs will leave to perform at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15th

Election Day – Polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel on Tuesday, June 7th

Resident Town Hall Meeting – Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 9th

Evening Service – Chapel at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 9th

Flag Day on Tuesday, June 14th
RESIDENTS CELEBRATED THE SUPER BOWL FROM FEBRUARY 1ST TO SUPERBOWL SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7TH!

KEYSTONE RESIDENTS PLAYING TOUCH DOWN FOOTBALL

RESIDENTS CREATED THEIR OWN FAVORITE TEAM PENDENT!

LET'S PLAY SOME FOOTBALL BINGO!
RESIDENTS HAVING FUN AT THE SUPER BOWL HALFTIME SHOW

NORTHERN BURLINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS
WINNERS—SUPER BOWL CANDY GUESSING

NORTH LAS VEGAS

NORTH WILDWOOD

SOUTH RIVIERA

WEST NANTUCKET

SOUTH RIVIERA

NORTH CAPE MAY

NORTH LAS VEGAS
Twelve residents from Compass Pointe had the opportunity to be the first tour at Juniors. Junior’s Cheesecake is new to the community, it has moved into what use to be Mother’s Kitchen. The residents enjoyed the trip and each came home with a nice cheesecake. Looking forward to scheduling another tour sometime in July.