

OUR LOCATIONS

BLOOMINGTON

Manager, Jean Haggerty
952-881-3409

MAPLE GROVE

Manager, Becky Milanovich
763-553-0341

NEW BRIGHTON

Manager, Patrice Crawford
651-636-1137

ROSEVILLE

Manager, Jan Hanson
651-636-2161

WOODBURY

Manager, Sandra Carlson
651-578-0850

PLANNED LOCATIONS

MINNETONKA

Marketing, Ellen Johnson
952-884-6400

ROSEVILLE

AT LANGTON LAKE
Marketing, Carolyn Vandenberg
651-766-6858

BLOOMINGTON

AT SOUTHTOWN
Marketing, Ellen Johnson
952-884-6400

WINONA

Marketing, Lana Sacia
507-312-0030

News from Around the Orchard

Bloomington

Last year, residents began to host a Weight Watcher meeting in their Great Room every Tuesday. With 27 residents and 10 visitors, the group has lost approximately 360 pounds since August! Keeping fit and staying healthy—congratulations!

Maple Grove

Late last year, the Great Room was overflowing with an enthusiastic audience for a free, big band concert by the Maple Grove Arts Council jazz ensemble. The group was conducted by its founder, artistic director and Maple Grove resident Paul Mazzacano (at drums). Also last year, Paul and his jazztet performed a 90-minute show for cooperative residents. He plans to schedule another big band performance in May 2009.



New Brighton

On Valentines Day, the New Brighton Warblers were heard throughout the building, singing sweet love songs and serenading any resident who opened their door to listen. The Warblers are a 15-member group who get together regularly to exercise their voices and treat listeners with delightful melodies.

Roseville

After a local knitting/crocheting “Caps for Kids” group that started ten years ago dwindled in size, long-time member Ardella Norenberg invited the remaining members and Applewood Pointe residents to join together. Now twice a month, more than a dozen women meet to do needle arts projects, including knitting, crocheting, counted cross stitch and quilting. Many ideas and shared knowledge have resulted in using up boxes of donated yarn and turning it into wearable winter caps, mittens and scarves.

Woodbury

Residents are now enjoying a new view from their library. Resident Clarence Williams used his talents to create a stained glass window insert of a tree and flowers. The window softens the suns southwest rays, while bringing warm smiles to those who pass by and visit the library.



Pointe of View

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR RESIDENTS OF THE APPLEWOOD POINTE COMMUNITIES

SPRING 2009

Minnesota Leads the Way in Housing Cooperatives

In 1978, Minnesota built its very first senior housing cooperative at 7500 York in Edina, which became the model that made our state the leader in senior housing cooperatives. According to the Senior Cooperative Foundation, there are currently 74 senior cooperatives in Minnesota, with more being planned. In nine other states, there are a total of 20 senior housing cooperatives.



The 10 states with senior cooperatives with Minnesota holding the most with 74.

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HOUSING COOPERATIVES IN THE UNITED STATES COME IN THREE BASIC EQUITY STRUCTURES.

- 1 market-rate housing coops – members can sell their shares in the co-op whenever they like for whatever the market will bear, much like other residential property
- 2 limited equity co-ops – often used by affordable housing developers, members own some equity in their home, but determine the sale price of their membership share using a limited rate of appreciation

- 3 zero-equity or group equity – individual members do not build up equity in the co-op; the co-op is not owned by its members, but by itself

There are several organizations that provide assistance in bringing cooperatives together to share information, including the Senior Cooperative Foundation and the Cooperative Network (formerly the Minnesota Association of Cooperatives). Many of our Applewood Pointe Board members and housing managers are attending the annual Senior Cooperative Housing conference on May 13 and 14, which is co-sponsored with the Cooperative Network.

What was one of your funniest dating experiences?
Let's Ask our Residents



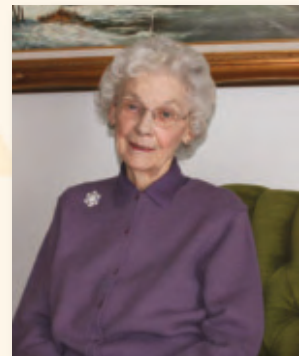
Whether it was on 'one time date' or a 'happily ever after,' residents share their dating memories.

Find out what your neighbors had to say about their fun dates!



It was the end of the evening and my date was a nurse taking psychiatric training at the state hospital. I left my car above the level of the nurse's quarters to accompany her to her dormitory. When I came back, my car was gone. It had rolled down the bank and was behind the dormitory without incident, much to my relief.

Robert Meyer, Bloomington



I was 16 years old and on my first date. We went sledding - in a toboggan constructed with protective sides on a solid ice slide. At the bottom of the slide hill, we came to an abrupt stop and fell off the toboggan. It was bitter cold, but we were laughing. Suddenly my date kissed me. My lips were so cold; I couldn't even feel my first kiss.

Kay Bushinski, Woodbury



On one of our first dates, my guy and I were sitting by Lake Calhoun at sunset. He said, "You have the most beautiful, big blue eyes I've ever seen." I started to laugh as it must have been a line - my eyes are a very dark brown. We will be married 61 years in April so I guess he likes my brown eyes.

Vi Sjogren, Maple Grove



My date, and now wife Elaine, and I went on a double date with another couple about 1946. After dinner and a late show at the Orpheum Theater in Minneapolis, a man warned us that one of the large front theater doors appeared to be loose. Well, Elaine didn't pay attention and went out in front of us and pushed the door. As soon as she pushed, the entire door fell forward onto the sidewalk on Hennepin Avenue. The door was about 10 feet high, thick, heavy and made a very loud bang. We were surprised, scared and very embarrassed so we high-tailed out of there as fast as we could.

Bob Lossie, Roseville

GINNY STEFFES
Director of Cooperative Housing
Personnel Spotlight



As the director of cooperative housing for Applewood Pointe, Ginny is often the go-to person for any

questions or concerns that housing managers, residents or board members have on managing a cooperative. If she's not at a co-op attending a board meeting, meeting with staff or closing on the sale of a unit, she might be found at a Minnesota Association of Cooperatives meeting where she is

deeply involved. If you ever see her walk into your building, you might notice her 'office on wheels,' luggage she always has with her to keep her a fast-moving machine!

Not only does Ginny work hard, she plays hard too with her many interests and hobbies. Her granddaughter who has Rhett's Syndrome has inspired Ginny to raise awareness through an annual golf tournament and silent auction. Ginny also makes miniature dollhouse floral arrangements using Japanese silk paper. Finally, to relax, Ginny is a "House" TV episode junkie and loves to play computer games.

Applewood Pointe of Roseville's
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

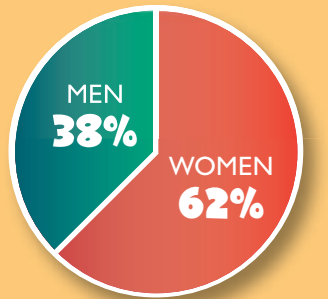
In January, Doris Johnson was presented the first-ever Applewood Pointe of Roseville Volunteer of the Year Award at the Board of Directors meeting.



Some of Doris' numerous volunteer commitments include: delivering newspapers, coordinating nurse visits, taxiing members on errands, caring for the cooperative plants, and working on the social committee, newsletter and computer-based projects for the cooperative. Doris was also recognized for her volunteer work outside the cooperative - at the public library, her church and Lyngblomsten

Health Care. Members submitted their choice for the award to the Board - so many submissions, great comments and accolades. The Board made the selection based on the highest number of responses for each nominee. Congratulations, Doris, you are special! Submitted by: Jim Gooden, president, and John Sweeney, vice president, Applewood Pointe of Roseville Board of Directors.

FUN
FACTS



NUMBER OF
APPLEWOOD POINTE
RESIDENTS

700
Men = 269
Women = 431
Average Age = 71.4

NUMBER OF HOMES IN
FIVE COMMUNITIES

459

NUMBER OF
GARAGE STALLS

497

Homes with Two Cars = 82

FLOOR PLAN NAMES

39

SNOWBIRDS

Gone for three or more months

66

HOMES WITH PETS

37

BONUS FACT

\$500

Amount received when someone you refer purchases a home in one of our new communities