SPOTLIGHT ON SHATEEMA JAZEL CREDLE

Written by Judith Bond Bradley for the Communications Committee



We have all received email messages from Shateema, but not many of us know who she is or what she looks like. This article is an introduction to Shateema, who took up the mantel of Office Manager at The Cedars (Sheila's old job) just 6 months ago.

Shateema was born in New York City and moved quite often (including to Queens, Virginia, Brooklyn, New Jersey). She was a good student, graduating valedictorian with honors. She went to Montclair State University in New Jersey and majored in Broadcasting. It was there that she gained experience with interviewing and communication. She had an internship at Radio City Music Hall and was an Administrative Assistant and Coordinator for several organizations (like MTV Networks). She also received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Brooklyn College. Her education enabled her to understand and work with people as she "likes to help people." Shateema has two daughters, 8 and 10 years old, who attend our public schools, and has family in the area.

Shateema juggles several activities for us. She is first of all a "communication person." She helps residents meet their needs. She sends out notices of meetings, and other memos, updates our Members Directory, welcomes and meets with new members, and helps make transitions comfortable. She is open to new activities.

Outside of The Cedars, Shateema loves to cook and classifies herself as a "foodie" that enjoys experiencing food from other cultures. She is interested in 'wine tasting', dancing, playing the piano, and golfing (in the future). A 'fun day' would be going to Barnes & Noble, having a coffee, and reading a book. She also does volunteer work as a Group Facilitator at the Orange County Rape Crisis Center.

We are delighted to have Shateema in our community and look forward to working with her and getting to know more about her.



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LET'S CELEBRATE

A CAPELLA HOLIDAY CONCERT

Saturday, December 16, 3pm Great Lawn

Meadowmont will be hosting a high school A Capella Holiday Concert on our great lawn.



HOLIDAY PIANO DUETS

with Laurel Siviglia and Margery Gates Tuesday, December 12, 2pm DuBose Activities Room

Laurel and Margery met at the Chapel Hill Music Teachers Association in 2011 and immediately began working as a piano duet. Laurel has been working as a church organist/choir director in

Massachusetts and New York since 1966. She has studied organ with Lena Gardner, Francesco Esile, Todd Wilson, Frederick Bachhous, and Dr. Walter Hilse. Margery has studied piano with Brian Dykstra and Neil Rutman. They will perform a program of seasonal favorites, including "We Three Kings of Orient Are," "White Christmas," Oh Come, O Come, Emanuel," "Deck the Halls," and more.

MOVIE OF THE MONTH - GOLDA Monday, December 18, 2pm DuBose Activities Room

A ticking-clock thriller set during the tense 19 days of the Yom Kippur War. Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir (Helen Mirren) must navigate overwhelming odds, a skeptical cabinet and a complex relationship with US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (Liev Schreiber) with millions of lives in the balance. Her tough leadership and compassion would ultimately decide the fate of her nation. (2023)





Veterans Day Honor Gallery, thank you to all who served

BEYOND THE CEDARS



HOLIDAY SHOPPING TRIP TO VILLAGE DISTRICT Wednesday, December 6, 10am Lobby

Village District in Raleigh has been a favorite neighborhood destination for shoppers and diners since 1949. There are more than 100 unique and distinctive

shops, café and restaurants. Register on Cedars Connect beginning December 1 at 9am, deadline December 5. Cost: \$12 for transportation.

CHEESE/WINE CLASS AT THE CHEESE SHOP IN CARRBORO Wednesday, December 13, 2:45pm Lobby

As the cold weather sets in, come and have a couple of glasses of wine and learn about and taste some special cheeses for the entertaining season that will not only wow and impress but be absolutely delicious. Stevie, co owner of The Cheese Shop and head monger will



tell the stories of the cheese and lead the tasting while Glasshalfull will provide a couple of great pairing wines to taste and you will leave smiling. Register on Cedars Connect beginning December 1 at 9am, deadline December 11. Cost: \$40 for class/tasting and transportation. Maximum 13 people.



BLOW UP II:
INFLATABLE
CONTEMPORARY ART
at the Gregg Museum of
Art & Design in Raleigh
Thursday, December 14, 1:30pm
Lobby

BLOW UP II: Inflatable Contemporary Art explores the imaginative ways

that air is used as a medium to create large-scale sculptures. The artists in *BLOW UP II* translate everyday materials and imagery into larger-than-life, yet nearly lighter-than-air art that is rich with meaning, resulting in a wide array of works that are figurative, conceptual, or abstract. Inflatable works are often initially regarded as whimsical or humorous, yet they can convey serious critiques of pop-culture, social norms, or the politics of space. This exhibition explores the complex relationship between the familiarity of the material and serious commentary, encouraging dialogues that promote reinterpretation. Register on Cedars Connect beginning December 1 at 9am, deadline December 12. Cost: \$12 for docent tour and transportation. Maximum 12 people.

MAKE IT TO THE BUS ON TIME

Please call Laura at 919-259-7944 on regular business days if you have signed up for an outing and are unable to attend or call the Concierge at 919-259-7937.



HANDEL'S MESSIAH at Duke Chapel
Saturday, December 2, 2pm Lobby

HOLIDAY SHOPPING TRIP TO VILLAGE DISTRICT Wednesday, December 6, 10am Lobby

DUKE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA at Baldwin Auditorium Wednesday, December 6, 6:30pm Lobby

CHEESE/WINE CLASS AT THE CHEESE SHOP IN CARRBORO Wednesday, December 13, 2:45pm Lobby

BLOW UP II: INFLATABLE CONTEMPORARY ART at the Gregg Museum of Art & Design Thursday, December 14, 1:30pm Lobby



12/19 TUESDAY

8:30am Total Body Strength & Stretch D-AR
9:30am Sit & Be Fit D-AR
1pm Mah Jongg cv4
1pm Golf Croquet GL
1:30pm Mah Jongg cv2

12/20 WEDNESDAY

10am Open Door Bible Group **D-AR/Zoom** ■ 1pm Party Bridge **cv4** ■ 2pm Mah Jongg **cv2** ■

12/21 THURSDAY

8:30am Cardio Combo D-AR 9:30am Sit and Be Fit D-AR 11am Cedars University D-AR 11mm Golf Croquet GL 11:30pm American Canasta CV3 12mm Scrabble CV4 11mm

12/22 FRIDAY

11am Fit Friday: Strength Circuit D-AR ■
1pm Chess Club cv2 ■
1pm Mexican Train Dominos cv4 ■
1:30pm Men's Bridge Group cv3 ■
3pm Canasta cv4 ■

12/23 SATURDAY

10am Cribbage cv2 ■
1:30pm Modern American Canasta cv2 ■
12:30pm Duplicate Bridge D-AR ■
2pm Hand Canasta cv3 ■
2pm Mexican Train Dominos cv4 ■

12/24 **SUNDAY**

Christmas Eve
11am Interdenominational
Service D-AR ■
2:30pm Movie Matinée:



White Christmas D-AR

Merry Christmas!

1pm Poker cv3 ■

2pm Chess Club cv2 ■

2pm Mexican Train Dominos cv4 ■

12/26 TUESDAY

8:30am Total Body Strength & Stretch D-AR
9:30am Sit & Be Fit D-AR
1pm Mah Jongg cv4
1pm Golf Croquet GL
1:30pm Mah Jongg cv2

12/27 Wednesday

10am Open Door Bible Group **p-AR/Zoom** ■ 1pm Party Bridge **cv4** ■ 2pm Mah Jongq **cv2** ■

12/28 THURSDAY

8:30am Cardio Combo D-AR 9:30am Sit and Be Fit D-AR 11am Cedars University D-AR 11mm Golf Croquet GL 11:30pm American Canasta CV3 12mm Scrabble CV4 11mm Combo D-AR 11mm Combo

12/29 FRIDAY

9:30am Balance Basics D-AR
10:15am Balance Challenge D-AR
11am Fit Friday: Barre Fusion D-AR
1pm Chess Club cv2
1pm Mexican Train Dominos cv4
1:30pm Men's Bridge Group cv3
3pm Canasta cv4

12/30 SATURDAY

10am Cribbage cv2 ■
1:30pm Modern American Canasta cv2 ■
12:30pm Duplicate Bridge D-AR ■
2pm Hand Canasta cv3 ■
2pm Mexican Train Dominos cv4 ■

12/31 **SUNDAY**

New Year's Eve 11am Interdenominational Service D-AR ■



ANNOUNCEMENTS

JEWELRY REPAIR WITH
EVA MOGENSON
Friday, December 1, 2-3pm
DuBose Elm Dining Room

SELECT REHAB LECTURE

Thursday, December 7, 2pm DuBose Activities Room

The Plan for Parkinson's: Improving functional outcomes with an integrated exercise approach.

CEDARS PORCH COLLECTION

Monday, December 11, 8:30am

Food should be out for pickup by 8:30am on Front Porches or Veranda Parking Lot Bench, or you can leave a check anytime with the Clubhouse Concierge. Questions, contact Joy Metelits at 919-933-0724.



GET INVOLVED

SHABBAT SERVICE LED BY CONNIE MARGOLIN Friday, December 8, 4pm DuBose Conference Room (2nd Fridays)

GREAT SHORT STORIES Monday, December 11, 10am Camden Villa 2nd Floor

Who Is It Can Tell Me Who I Am? by Gina Berriault

CEDARS UNIVERSITY

Lectures on DVD

MUSEUM MASTERPIECES: THE NATIONAL GALLERY, LONDON

Taught by Catherine B.
Scallen, Ph.D. Professor, Case
Western Reserve University
Thursdays through January 4th,
11am DuBose Activities Room



Of all the world's great art museums, the National Gallery, London is the only place where you can truly grasp the breathtaking scope of European painting between 1200 and 1900. Established in 1824, the National Gallery was commissioned as the people's museum—a cultural institution meant to reflect the artistic legacy both of Great Britain and of the European continent. Inside its halls are more than 2,500 European paintings by some of Western civilization's greatest masters, including Titian, Rubens, and Rembrandt.

Today, the National Gallery is one of the top five tourist attractions in the United Kingdom. Each year, more than 5 million people explore the gallery's impressive collections, including its renowned and respected holdings in Italian Renaissance art and 17th-century Dutch and Flemish painting. To browse through the hallways and wings of the National Gallery is to witness the powerful evolution both of European painting and the European history that it represents.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

HOLIDAY ORIGAMI WORKSHOP

with Barbara Pearl
Tuesday, December 5, 2-3:30pm
DuBose Activities Room

Learn how to make one-of-a-kind holiday origami ornaments, and more to give as one-of-a-kind gifts, decorate, entertain, or display. Brighten the holidays with the joy



of origami to share with family and friends. Discover the beauty and mystery of origami, the art of Japanese paper folding with Barbara Pearl, award winning educator/ author -- all it takes is a "peace" of paper. Celebrate the holidays! Supplies included. **Register on Cedar Connect, deadline December 4. Maximum 8 people.**



THE CEDARS CONNECT WEBSITE FOR DUMMIES

Join dummy-in-front Jack Pendray in an exploratory tour of the Cedars Connect website, poking into the

nooks and crannies of the website's different functions and features. This session assumes that you already know how to open the website, https://cedarsconnect.com, in a browser on your preferred device. The first class will be held Tuesday, December 5 at 10am on the 3rd Floor of the Camden Villa. This class will be followed by two classes on Tuesday, December 12, and Thursday, December 14 at 10am. Sessions will be limited to five people. Please sign up for your preferred class on Cedars Connect beginning December 1 or contact Tara Pierce to reserve a space at 919-537-0128, tpierce@cedarsofchapelhill.com.

LET'S TALK CINEMA

Close, 2022

Monday, December 11, 1pm Film Followed by Discussion Led by Linda Luftig in the DuBose Activities Room

Close is a tender and powerfully acted look at childhood innocence lost. Leo and Remi are two 13-year-old best friends whose seemingly unbreakable bond is suddenly, tragically torn apart. Winner of the Grand Jury Prize at the Cannes Film Festival as well as nominated for Best International Film at the Academy Awards. Close is an emotionally transformative and unforgettable portrait of the intersection of friendship and love, identity and independence, and heartbreak and healing. Also streaming on Amazon Prime and Apple+





SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Mark your calendars!





ART HOME TOUR

Featuring 5 Diverse Art Collections and a Working Art Studio. Tickets are \$25.00 (Purchase in the Clubhouse during lunch & dinner hours & on December 10th in Davidson Lobby)

2:00pm - 5:00pm

ARTISAN GALLERY and BAKE SALE

Davidson Lobby First Floor

(No ticket required)

Refreshments

For questions call Anne Boyer at 919-259-7800.

All Proceeds Benefit the Scholarship Program.





SUDOKU PUZZLE

Enter digits from 1 to 9 into the blank spaces. Every row must contain one of each digit. So must every column, as must every 3x3 square.

Puzzle rating: Hard

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Puzzle by websudoku.com

REGULAR GROUP ACTIVITIES CONTACT INFORMATION

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PokerRichard Orcutt 919-259-7533
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FITNESS ARTICLE

TIPS FOR STAYING HEALTHY DURING THE HOLIDAYS

The holidays can be a joyous time of year shared with family and friends, but they can also cause stress as we struggle to keep up with demands and expectations. It is important for us to relax and take good care of ourselves. The following tips can help to increase energy and reduce stress, this season and all year long.

- Don't set unrealistic exercise goals. Aim to complete 20 minutes instead of an hour. Every little bit does count.
- Take a walk with a friend or family member. Walking and talking burns extra calories and reduces stress levels.
- Get more out of errands. When you go to the mall or grocery store, park toward the back of the lot and walk the extra distance. Walk inside for a lap or two before you start shopping.
- Take the stairs whenever you can.
- Be active while watching TV. Use hand weights, march in place (while standing or sitting) or do a stretching routine.
- Don't try to lose weight during the holidays. If you enjoy your favorite foods in small portions, you won't feel deprived.
- Drink seven or eight 8 ounce glasses of water a day. Although the cold weather may make you less inclined to drink water, it is just as important in the winter as it is during the summer. Water may help satiate your appetite since thirst is often mistaken for hunger.
- Laugh. Laughing is a great tension reliever. It burns calories, reduces stress and usually means that you are enjoying yourself.

Happy holidays!

Sources: MayoClinic.com and American Council on Exercise



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