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Touchmark on West Prospect

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TOUCHMARK OFFERS “A DOUBLE DOSE OF HUMOR AND HEART”

APPLETON, Wis. — The lyrics claim, “You’ve gotta have ... heart! All you really need is heart!” Add to this necessity humor, and people can enjoy two key ingredients for a rewarding life. The public is invited to join Wisconsin’s first poet laureate Ellen Kort and nurse educator Suzanne Marnocha, RN, MSN, PhD, Thursday, March 16 from 2:30 to 4:30 pm to learn how to mix these elements into a recipe for healthy and inspired living

There is no admission fee for this lively presentation, which will be held at Touchmark on West Prospect, 2601 Touchmark Drive, Appleton. Touchmark’s book club members will host a reception.

“Poetry Inspiration of Ellen Kort,” is the title of Wisconsin’s former poet laureate’s presentation. Kort has received many awards and has written approximately a dozen books; more than half of which are poetry. Her work has been performed by dancers, recorded by noted actors and incorporated into several architectural works around the area. In a recent interview, she commented that “It’s really important that we tell each other our stories, because if we don’t know our own story, then we can’t connect with somebody else’s story.”

Marnocha will speak about “Humor & Creativity: Keys to Survival.” Marnocha serves as the interim undergraduate program director for the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh’s College of Nursing. She has published numerous articles and is a frequently requested speaker. She is a fervent advocate of lifelong learning.

Touchmark on West Prospect opened in 2001. The community offers resort-style retirement for adults 55-plus and is home to more than 70 people. The community offers a wide range of single-level homes, apartments and lifestyle options.