

SUNSET MATTERS!!

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION
FROM THE HEART OF SUNSET
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NEW RESIDENT:

- Paul Doser
- Mary Lovenduski
- Elsie Berger
- Nancy Wasco
- Kenneth Vanaernum
- Mabel McGuirk
- Sophie Stemkowski
- William Woernley
- Albert Earl
- Rita Marcinkowski
- Dorothy Kelley
- Mildred Champion
- Iva Croniser
- Janice Klossner

RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS:

Daniel Hrim Jr.	2/4
John Abohanna	2/7
Rosanna Giemza	2/10
Benjamin Krist	2/18
Harold Hayes	2/20
Mary Rowlands	2/21

Happy Birthday!

STAFF BIRTHDAYS:

Sandra Coffin	2/1
Melissa Turner	2/14
Susan Martin	2/19
Shana Ward	2/19
Kimberly Kelsey	2/24
Bertha Goodhines	2/25
Edith Moorehead	2/25
Betty Ramsdale	2/29
Robert Richter	2/26
Bambi Steria	2/28

CONSTRUCTION UNDER WAY!

There is construction underway here at Sunset.
Please use extra caution when visiting.

Thank You!

BITS & PIECES

January 1st We are starting out the New Year with a winter snow storm. Skiers and snowmobilers are loving it. Residents are sleepy this morning after their gala New Year's Eve party. They are enjoying their coffee hour and just relaxing. This afternoon we are having a punch and eggnog party.

January 2nd Michelle Henry, activity assistant baked cookies this morning with the help of some residents. After they were baked we all got to taste them. They were a big hit. Come on down for the beanbag toss competition at 2:00. It will be lots of fun! Hear ye! Hear ye! For all you bingo lovers we will be playing at 6:00 if you would like to join us.

January 3rd Today is barber day for the men and then at 10:30 there will be music with Peg and her Sunrisers. The ARC also joined us for our music program. Sunset cards at 2:00 today. This is another favorite for the residents. There is movie and popcorn at 6:00.

January 4th Donald Ruppert and Ken Clark were here for their weekly visit and card playing. They rounded up Frank Krzewinski, Josephine Potter and Clayton Villiere and played a great game of pitch. When Don & Ken were leaving, Don told me that he was going to be 90 tomorrow and that his family is having a party for him tomorrow at the Westernville Fire House. The Savoy will be catering the event. HE is a faithful visitor and we all wish him a very *Happy Birthday!* Mrs. Carol Beal enjoyed a visit from all her coffee friends including Vivian Brucker, Linda Marcy, Sandy Sherwood, Evelyn Wagoner, Joyce LaClair, Carol Shears along with her sister Mary Cooke.

January 5th Sue Martin, activity assistant read current events to residents this morning. The big news was the outcome of the Caucus in Iowa. Presidential hopefuls Burack Obama (Democrat) and Michael Huckabee (Republican) lead and hope for a repeat performance in New Hampshire this week.

A Limburger cheese party will be at 2:00 today. Grab a close pin for your nose and join the real cheese lovers.

Peter Egnew will deliver the service for Bible Baptist Church at 3:00 today

January 6th Coffee and conversation dominated this morning. The Eric, Jim and Bill domino game is a regular event on Sunday morning. Residents enjoyed a Shirley Temple movie, "The Little Princess". We wrapped up the day with bingo at 6:00.

Kim, Donna and Hans Ernst came to visit Lyle Ernst. They were glad to see grandpa looking so good. They checked out his newly renovated room and thought that it looked very nice.

January 7th Story time with Will was cancelled today. Sue Kratzenberg (volunteer) helped our own Sue Martin activity assistant in making cinnamon toast for the residents to munch on during coffee hour. The brainteasers at 2:00 were fun for the residents. Later we enjoyed polka music. Five of our Polish residents were teaching the rest of us words in Polish.

January 8th Church services for Bertha Shaffer by Sandy and Widget. Reverend Donald Karlen (St. Joseph's Church Boonville) delivered mass and communion to Sunset residents.

Mother Nature has sent us some really balmy weather for this time of the year. The temperature at 10:00 this morning was 55 degrees!

Today will be resident's January birthday party. Dietary always makes a us a wonderful cake to serve everyone. Everyone gets a balloon as well. There will be a penny ante party at 6:00 for residents to join in on.

Debbie Bruce and her grandson Isaiah Webster friend of Paul Doser came for a visit. Debbie and Isaiah say that Paul is a great joy in their life.

January 9th Michelle Henry activities assistant read the Boonville Herald to residents this morning. We are lucky to have such a newsy paper locally that many of our residents can relate to. At 2:00 today our own Sue Martin will be entertaining us with her special music. Many thanks to Sue for sharing her wonderful gift with us.

Bingo at 6:00 tonight.

January 10th Music with Peg and the sunrisers this morning. ARC came to enjoy the music as well. We all sang and did arm motions to the song - "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands". At 2:00 today there will be sunset cards for the residents to enjoy. Tonight Ed and his Hobos will be

entertaining the residents and they all enjoy it. Thanks guys.

January 11th Sue Martin led our residents and a group from ARC in our morning exercise. They also did stretches to music. They all really enjoyed this. Hear yea hear yea! Come on down and play bingo at 2:00. Volunteer Bernie Bailey will be helping with the bingo today.

Tonight is men's night and the maintenance men will be serving pizza, soda and maybe even a little beer. Have a great time guys.

January 12th Current events were read to residents this morning by Michelle Henry our activities assistant. There will be word search and popcorn treat at 2:00. There will be a Bible Baptist Church service held at 3:00 today.

Today Paul Doser's son Brian and his grandson Timothy Doser came for a visit. They enjoyed their first visit with grandpa since he has arrived. Timothy was acting a bit shy but warmed up after awhile. We enjoyed looking at pictures on the computer.

Mabel Mcguirk's good friend Jennifer Lamphear visited with her today. I really think that Mabel is happy here. Hanks for being kind to her.

Brianna, Terry and Doug Crumb children and grandchildren of Anita Chaisson came for a visit. They enjoyed laughs and the time together.

January 13th Residents enjoyed trivia with their coffee this morning.

There will be a Methodist Church Service at 2 this afternoon with snacks to follow at 3:00.

Come on down to the solarium at 6:00 tonight for some bingo.

January 14th Kenny LaPlant and Brother Mark were here this morning to entertain the residents. We certainly enjoyed their singing and playing. Many thanks to you both.

January 15th Sandy Deninski and Don Satterly were in charge of the St. Joseph's Church service today. They gave residents their communion and led them with the Rosary.

Sarah Beasock came to see her grandmother Eleanor Patrick. Sarah even brought her little white dog (Mea) with them to church services.

This afternoon with the help from our activities assistant Sue Martin our residents are going to bowl. Hope they get a lot of strikes and spares.

Karen Martin, an aide on B-wing brought her son Jesse in to see everyone. Jessie is home on leave from a tour in Iraq. Jessie we want you to know how much we appreciate you and your dedicated military service.

January 16th The Boonville Herald was read today by our own Michelle Henry. The residents love to hear news from their hometowns.

Today at 2:00 we will be making tacos. The best part will be sampling them later.

There will be bingo at 6:00.

Jim Smith enjoyed a visit with his Mom and brother today. They spent time catching up on family news.

January 17th Episcopal Church service with Mother Logan delivering the service and offering communion to the residents. Peg and her sunrisers provided music and hymns for the service. Then at 10:30 Peg and the sunrisers continued entertaining our residents and the ARC group. We found the full hour of music most enjoyable

This evening's programs will be Sunset cards and a movie with popcorn.

January 18th ARC joined our residents today for some exercise. Sue Martin kept them moving with some lively music. They all had fun keeping their balloons in the air.

Tonight it will be everyone's favorite program BINGO!

Clayton Villiere had a visit from son-in-law Pat Kinney today. Pat even brought the family dog for the visit. Clayton was very glad to see them.

January 19th There was cheese and cracker party for the residents at 3:00 today.

Later Peter Egnew gave the church service for Bible Baptist Church.

Sophie Stemkoski had a very nice visit with her daughter Elaine Viviani and daughter-in-law Donella Murphy. They enjoyed coffee social hour. They would like to thank everyone for the wonderful hospitality.

There is going to be a benefit for Evelyn Szijarto on Sat., Feb.2, 2008 at Lowville Fire Hall.

Chicken BBQ at 11am 4.50 a half or dinners for 7.00

Live auction at noon with previews from 11:00 to noon

DJ from 9pm till 1am 5.00 a person

50/50 drawing throughout the night and a 32 inch HDTV to be raffled at midnight.

January 20th This morning activity assistant Sue Martin held a hymn sing for the residents. It was lovely and everyone enjoyed listening and singing along.
There will be Episcopal Church services at 2:00 and Bingo at 6:00.

January 21st New England will be well represented as the Giants and Patriots won against the Chargers and Packers.
Sue Martin and Sue Kratzenburg said what fun they had today watching and helping the residents bowl. Jane Flansburg got the first strike Sue Martin got out the pom-poms and did a little cheering. All of the residents loved it! Great thanks to Frank Perry for being such a big help.
Later Paul Roper's wife Marlene and sister-in-law Eva along with Kevin Ernst and John Fosenburg had a wonderful time playing pitch. We also learned that Kevin is very good with slight of hand card tricks.

January 22nd The debates are becoming heated as candidates vie for positions in the primary.
In Father Karlins absence Don Satterly will conduct Mass at 10:30.
Story time at 2:00 with Will.
Movie and popcorn at 6:00.

Let it snow
Bertha Helen Ferrara
(89 years young)

I looked out my window and watched
The snow come down,
Softly, quietly not making a sound

The blustery wind whirled it all about
Like a giant hurricane causing a whiteout

The trees shook with determined force
Shedding the snow from its branches
As a matter of course

Snow and freezing rain is what its
All about
Winter weather at its worst and no
Doubt
We are in for more of the same
A chilling January blizzard is
The name of the game

Large snowflakes spinning like a top
We all ask the question – when will it stop?

The weather man assured us that the
January thaw is over
We can now look forward to the beauty of
Spring
To greet us and for us to discover

What spring will bring?
So let it snow –let it snow-let it snow

January 23rd Michelle Henry activities assistant is reading the Boonville Herald to residents this morning. There is a lot about the upcoming snow festival. Mother Nature is certainly doing her part to make it a huge success. We have had snow all week long.
Sue Martin our activities assistant will be entertaining residents at 2:00 with her wonderful singing. We all love to listen to her. Thanks Sue!

January 24th Music with Peg and her sunrisers was great this morning as usual. Many thanks to her and her volunteers for the great entertainment.
There will Sunset cards at 2:00.

**HAVE YOU EVER PLAYED
SUNSET CARDS?**

Sunset cards are about 3” by 6” and numbered like a regular deck of cards. Players receive five cards that are placed in front of them. The dealer has a matching regular deck of cards.
Object of the game is simple. When the dealer calls a card, and it's one in front of the player he/she turns it over. When your five cards are turned over, you win a prize. When the dealer calls out “BONUS” the person with that card automatically wins a prize. After two wins happen, a new game is started along with more “BONUS” calls.
The real fun is when one, two or three players seem to do all the winning, accumulating 4 – 6 prizes, and others hoping to win. That is when the banter starts and this is more fun than the game.
Please join us for the next “**Sunset Cards**” game.
Thank you Marlene Roper for explaining the game of Sunset cards.
Tonight there will be bingo at 6:00.

January 25th Another snowy day here in Boonville

Residents moved their arms this morning trying to keep balloons airborne. This form of exercise was great fun. At 2:00 grab your chips and come on to the solarium for some Bingo.

Tonight the Snow Festival gets underway with a parade and fireworks.

January 26th Michelle Henry and the residents socialized this morning along with their coffee. This afternoon there will be a pizza party and who doesn't love pizza!
Bible Baptist Church services at 3:00 with Peter Egnew.
Lyle Ernst had company today. Pat King showed up first with Lyle's son Kim and daughter-in-law Donna visiting 45 minutes later. They all had a good time.

January 27th Michelle played trivia with the residents, giving them questions that they had to answer. They all did very well. Church services will be at 2:00 with snack and social hour to follow. Bingo at 6:00.

January 28th This morning we moved from the solarium to C-side dining room due to the construction. Donna Muck, Eve Marie, Ed Gouger and Doug Houghton provided our program this morning. They played their instruments and sang as well. The ARC group came to enjoy the entertainment with our residents. There will be jokes and funny stories at 2:00 with Sue. The residents enjoy this.

Thought for the Month

No one ever lost their eyesight by looking on the bright side of life.

January 29th Activities have been curtailed for awhile since the solarium is closed temporarily for remodeling. Found this article in my cookbook. It was written in 1990 and would make a great human-interest story for our readers to enjoy. It is about our very own Dietician- Sandy Lee.