

# “Sunset Matters”

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Happiness is knowing summer is coming and waking up to birds singing, sunshine and a clear blue skies. The arrival of the first Robin, Humming birds, the smell of fresh cut grass and smelling Lilacs in bloom is a sure sign that summer has arrived.

## Residents News at Sunset

Recently several residents enjoyed an day trip at the “Turning Stone Casino.” A Bernie Bus was chartered for the outing. Many residents enjoyed playing the machines and dining at the Seasons Harvest Buffett and the Emerald Room. No big winners but all had a great time trying. We appreciate the volunteers and staff members who gave their time to make this trip possible for our residents.

We have been doing manicures on Wednesday mornings. Our lady residents enjoy having their nails beautified and of course everyone likes to be pampered a little. Our beauty shop is open on Friday and Saturday mornings with our hair dresser Pennie Oaster. Some of our ladies enjoy a weekly hair do or an occasional cut, perm or color.

Ernest Gamble of German Town, NY recently visited his Betty Gamble (b-wing).

Our ladies enjoyed a “Ladies Spaghetti Luncheon on Wednesday, May 12th. Approx. fourty of our ladies

turned out for the luncheon. A special thank you to Anita Chaisson and Act. Asst. Priscilla Linck for preparing the meat sauce the day before the luncheon. Our dietary staff made a delicious tossed salad. Thank you Shawnie Hill and her job coach Tara Silliman for their help in serving and cleaning up. Following the luncheon was an afternoon of music with yours truly, Susan Martin.

B-wing resident Betty Conley has enjoyed visiting with daughter Kathy Conley who has recently moved back home from California.

Helen Pfender recently enjoyed the company of her daughter Joan Rahm who was visiting from Frisco, Texas.

Dottie Kelley had recent visitors. The group were cousins of Dottie’s. They were in the area for a grave side service of a family member. Visitors included Margo and Ray Christenson and Bill and Lynne Christenson all from Virginia. Eileen Dellerbra, Father Don

Karlen and Dottie’s daughter Kathy and son-in-law Chuck Snyder all of Boonville. They enjoyed visiting in our c-wing wing lounge area. Cookies and punch and coffee were served prepared by our dietary staff. The group very much enjoy the large photographs that glorify the walls in our hall ways and remarked on how beautiful the nursing home is.

John and Katie Huther of Springfield Illinois were recent visitors of Virginia Burr (c-wing). The couple will be spending their summer in Woodgate area. Katie is Virginia’s niece.

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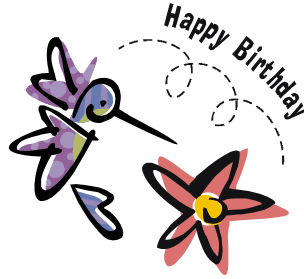
## Welcome New Residents

- Joyce Cavanaugh
- Hattie Schaffer
- John Cady
- Mary Olin
- Elizabeth Worden
- Sophie Sadlowski
- Robert Stabb
- Robert Linsig
- George Bushaw
- Myra Szykowski
- William Hall
- Virginia Kingsley
- Mary Lou Ruppert
- Ralph Sullivan
- Gerald Conover



# Residents Monthly Birthday Party for June

On Wed. May 5th our monthly residents birthday party was held on our deck. Twelve of our residents celebrate their birthdays in May. It was a beautiful summer like day and a perfect day for a party on the deck. A large white sheet cake with white frosting made by our dietary staff and vanilla ice cream was served. Barbara Hople, Dorothy Spry, John Sanderl, Agnes Cooke, Mary Mosher, Karl Marsden, Josephine Potter, Rosemary O'Leary, Ruth Kuchler, Janice Vanamee, Paul Doser, Francis Kirk all celebrated birthdays in May. All hope they all had a special day. Birthday wishes are sent to Francis Kirk (b-wing) from his 1st cousin Harold Hoffert of the St. Lukes Home in Utica, NY. Francis celebrates his birthday on Monday May 31st and Harold celebrates his on June 1st. Birthday wishes to Harold are sent from residents and staff here at Sunset and from his cousin, Francis.



## Residents birthdays for June

Kathryn Conrad- 6/8/10  
Gerald Graham- 6/8/10  
Dorothy Kelley- 6/9/10  
Sophie Sadlowski- 6/12/10  
Gloria Weiman- 6/13/1  
Norma Larrivey- 6/19/10  
William Hall- 6/22  
Dorothy Pearsall- 6/24/10  
Lillian Deitch- 6/29/10

Ruth Kuchler (b-wing) celebrated her

birthday on May 23rd. She enjoyed the day with her brother Harry Goodson and her two sisters Mary Lloyd and Lois Kohl who are all from the Deansboro area. They had a nice dinner at the Hulbert House and a great time visiting and reminiscing. Ruth received many cards from friends and relatives.

Resident Paul Doser was the guest of honor in a celebration of his 80th birthday. Paul's wife Marlene and with their daughters Eileen Gallagher and Jolene Higby hosted a lovely party with many guest of friends and family attending. Guest from as far away as New Jersey, New Hartford, Westmoreland and Pennellville. Paul received lots of cards and thoughtful birthday wishes.

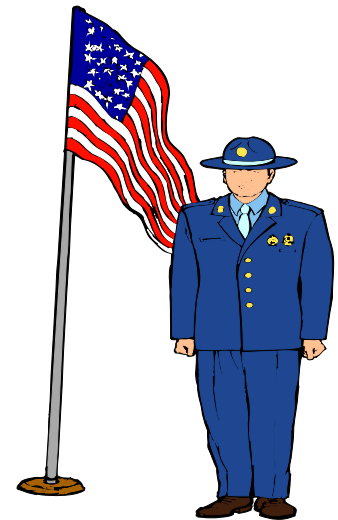
## Memorial Day Celebration

Our first picnic of the year on Memorial day was held on Monday, May 31st. It was held in our garden, patio and deck areas. It was a gorgeous day for a picnic. Residents along with many family members and friends enjoyed a delicious cookout prepared by our dietary staff. Many helping hands including volunteers and staff worked together to provide a lovely day for our residents. Several family members and friends joined in the celebration. A special thank you to volunteer Flo Heffernan for the photos of the picnic. They are displayed in our activity room for all to view. Also thank you to Flo's husband Ed who did the grilling of hot dogs and burgers. We had many helpers and appreciate them all. Thank you for

your kindness and helpfulness.

Following the picnic residents and guests were entertained by Doug Houghton and Dick Satterley with a music program.

Members of the American Legion Love Post # 406 visited residents and presented Poppies in memory of their fallen comrades.



# Sunset Holds Sock Hop



Residents recently enjoyed a Sock Hop that was held on Sunday evening, May 23rd. Many were in costume with Poodle skirts and the 50's attire. Pictures of a 57 Chevy and a 55 Oldmobile, an old Juke box, hanging records help set the scene when residents, staff and families rocked to the tunes of The Happy Hour Band. The Band which consists of Tim McIntyre on lead guitar, Dennis Crofoot on the bass, Doug Dorrity on the drums, and Corie Youngs, vocalist. Ice cream (root beer and orange) floats were served for refreshments. Many residents and outside guests attended and enjoyed two hours of unforgettable hot tunes from the 50's and 60's.

Many residents enjoyed listening and dancing up a storm. Betty Wilson (b-wing) inspired the starting of the Sock Hop idea. She said weeks ago, "lets do something for the younger people." Betty danced the night away and had a wonderful time. Residents are asking, "when can we do it again" A huge thank you goes out to our volunteers, Flo Heffernan, Mary Jane Clark and her sister Delores Post and my granddaughter Katlyne McIntyre. A few pictures to let you know how much fun we had.



Tim McIntyre (my son) who shares with me, the love of music. Tim plays Lead Guitar for the Happy Hour Band.



Geraldine Foley (a-wing) with her poodle skirt and cat rim glasses dancing to the beat



Audrey Osborne (a-wing) resting after dancing to many tunes

Betty Wilson (b-wing) who enjoyed doing the jitter bug to many tunes.

## Entertainment at Sunset

Recently our weekly Monday morning music was with Doug Houghton, Dick Ulrich and Bernie Lallier. Dick and Doug sang and played their guitars while Bernie backed them up with his accordion music. It sounded fantastic. Later the group along with residents joined Bernie around the piano and sang many familiar hymns. It was enjoyed by everyone. As usual Doug Houghton arrives at 9:00a.m. sharp and usually joined by Dick Satterly and his wife Joanne. Every Monday morning we look forward to their entertainment.

Peg Nuspliger gives her weekly performance with her chorus on Thursday mornings at 10:30. They sing like angels providing our resident with a full hour of nostalgic melodies.

Mrs. Glynce Trainor provided an hour performance of many lovely piano pieces. It was a comforting afternoon that all enjoyed.

On Saturday, May 22nd, Andy Longway of Newport, NY formally from the Denley Rd. Boonville, entertained our residents and guests with an afternoon of singing and playing guitar. Andy played a wonderful selection of country music. We look forward to the next time Andy comes in to entertain. Andy's fiancé's mother Carolyn Hance works in our house-keeping dept. She was proud of Andy's performance.

Deb and Fred Snyder gave our residents an afternoon of music and fun when they did their Karaoke program on May 20th. It's nice to have Deb and Fred Visit frequently since the loss of Debs mother former resident Millie White. She would be proud that they continue to come in to visit and entertain our residents.

Residents enjoyed a sing-a-long with yours truly singing many nostalgic melodies with lyrics provided on the T.V. screen. The microphone was passed around the room and several took part in singing aloud. Jo Potter, Nancy Earl, Marlene Doser and Bernie Bailey took the a turn with the mic while others sang along. It was a fun way to spend an afternoon. The public is welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you.

# Staff News

Activities welcomes back Priscilla Linck to our Activities staff. Of course Priscilla is know to us for her many years in Nursing here at Sunset. She came out of retirement to join us in Activities last year. She recently returned from her winter home in Fla. where she and her husband Jim have enjoyed since her retirement a few years ago. It is great to have her with us for the summer/fall months.

Happy 10th wedding anniversary to Darlene Mineo (housekeeping) and her husband John. Darlene was surprised with a beautiful bouquet of roses. The couple celebrated their anniversary on May 13th.

Barb DeLand (C.N.A.- c-wing) was given a surprise 60th birthday party given by her children at the Remsen, V.F.W. on Sunday, May 15th. Many of her family members and friends attended.

Volunteer Flo Heffernan recently returned from her home in Fla. with her husband Ed to their summer

home on the Moose River Rd. Port Leyden. We are so happy to have Flo back and are excited to have her lending a helping hand with our upcoming activity events. We thank Flo for the recent photos of our Sock Hop and Memorial Day picnic.

Staff and residents would like to welcome Melissa Taylor (C.N.A c-wing) after recovering from her gall-bladder surgery. Also we would like to welcome back L.P.N. Amber Waldron from maternity leave. Her baby is now two months old.

Bambi Steria (office) recently traveled to Gastonia, N.C. where she visited her father and brothers. She also visited her son LCPL Robert J. Steria III who is stationed at Camp Lejunne, NC. Robert is with the Gulf Co. Warlords. He will home in June. Bambi, her husband had a Bob (the II) and grandson had a nice vacation.

**We would like to welcome the following new employees to Sunset:**

- William Pritchard– Maintenance Dept.
- Jamie Stocker– Housekeeping

Best wishes on a happy retirement go out to Joan Ramsdale (housekeeping). Joan has been the supervisor of housekeeping dept. for many years. She will be missed here at Sunset by residents and staff. A luncheon was held for Joan in our solarium. Attending was her parents, friends and co-workers from the housekeeping staff. We wish Joan the best on her retirement. Good luck Joan!!

## Staff birthdays

- Gilbert Tebo II- 6/4
- Angela Brouty- 6/6
- Kyla Jordan- 6/8
- Amanda Martin- 6/10
- Heather Bush- 6/12
- Korlene Cook- 6/18
- Diane Hughes- 6/19
- Stephanie Persons- 6/19
- Cynthia Redmond- 6/22
- Savannah Simpson- 6/2

# In Memoriam

Sincere condolences go out to the families of

Lawerence Brinkerhoff

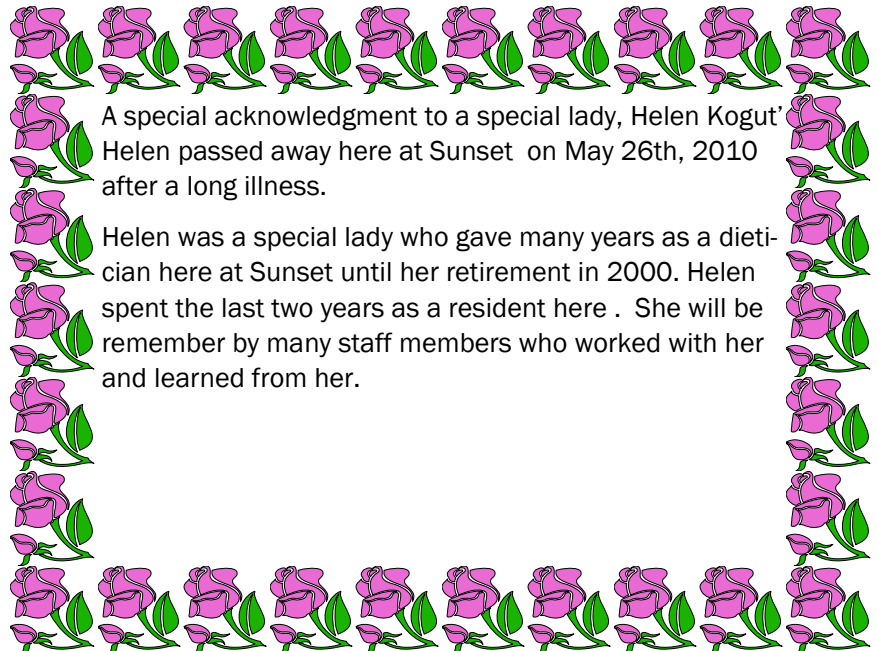
Erwin Gillette

Victoria Kingsberry

Helen Kogut

Gloria Alm

Staff and residents send their condolence to resident Gloria Williamson (c-wing) on the loss of her sister Betty Curtis of Verona. Betty was the eldest of Gloria's twelve siblings.



A special acknowledgment to a special lady, Helen Kogut' Helen passed away here at Sunset on May 26th, 2010 after a long illness.

Helen was a special lady who gave many years as a dietician here at Sunset until her retirement in 2000. Helen spent the last two years as a resident here . She will be remember by many staff members who worked with her and learned from her.

# Five Generations

Resident Shirley Marleau (a-wing) formally from Otter Creek and her daughter, granddaughter and great granddaughters posed for a photo of their four generations.

(Pictured left to right) Shirley Marleau, her daughter, great granddaughter, and her granddaughter holding baby great-granddaughter.



Any one Puzzled?

Not at all! Many of our residents have been getting involved with putting jig-saw puzzles together. Starting after breakfast till after supper who can find people working on a puzzle. As fast as one is put together another one is started. They seem to be addicting for most of us and a wonderful way to pass a way a little time.

A special than you to Carol Higby for the beautiful glow in the dark puzzles. Our puzzle group couldn't wait to get one done so they could see if it really glowed in the dark.....and it did.

Thank you Shelly Gokey and Charlotte Bourgeois for donating puzzles for our residents.



Betty Pfendler (c-wing) putting together a puzzle