

Ketchikan Pioneer Home

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Greetings from the Administrator

It's warm outside and the flowers are starting to bloom. The residents have been busy getting outside to soak up some of the rays and they are reporting bumble bees and bright birds in the garden.

The State budget continues to be a concern for many but we are doing everything we can to assure the residents. It is nice to visit with Pioneers of our state and hear some of their recollections from challenging times in our history. The common theme is that Alaskans seem to know how to work hard and figure things out and it is a reassuring sentiment.

Unfortunately I am still not able to offer much more information in the way of updates but here are the frequently asked questions as folks go by my door this month and I hope to have some of the answers in our next newsletter.

The Recreation Therapist (Hilary's old position) is unfortunately still in "process". I know this is not a good answer but it's the one I have and I know it is moving. We hope to see it posted this week. 90 days is becoming a rough average of how long it takes to fill positions for a variety of reasons so your continued patience is appreciated.

RFP for Food Services, Housekeeping, and Laundry has been posted and the submittals are currently being reviewed by the Department. I do not anticipate hearing whether those positions will continue to be part of the State of Alaska system or whether they will be contracted out until sometime later this month. I know it is a concern for staff and residents and we are answering questions as we can.

Regulation packets with new proposed rates are currently under review but it is unlikely to be resolved this month. I will let everyone know as soon as I know about what the new rates will be if they change but as of now there is nothing new to report.

I know many of you are anxious for answers and please continue to stop by or call me and I will provide all of the information I can, in the meantime, spring has sprung and the timing couldn't be better as we all look forward to sunny days and bbqs on our roof deck.



Julie Sande

Fast Track Home School & Pioneer Home Pre-K Friends present...

Tea Party & Talent Show

**MAY
8th
1030am
Great Room**



Join us for tea & refreshments
All community homeschoolers invited

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HOORAY CNA Students

Eleven Ketchikan High School students completed a CNA course through a partnership with UAS & KGBSD. These students conducted some of their clinical work experience here at Ketchikan Pioneer Home. The course was instructed by Siri Alvey and graduation ceremony took place on April 27th. We are sure these young ladies have a bright future ahead—Congratulations!!



Happy Birthday Juanita (5/23) & Bob (5/25)!

You're invited to FAMILY NIGHT

PRESCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR

WHEN: May 9 at 5:15-6:45
 WHERE: Pioneer Home Great Room
 BRING: The Entire Family and Friends
 RSVP TO: Tandra.thomposn@k21schools.org



ALASKAN & PROUD
An Independent Alaska Company

Now collecting A&P receipts

(dated April 2018—Present)

We receive 1% of total receipts in form of store credit. This helps offset monthly activity expenses such as ice cream socials and holiday events. Please drop off receipts at front office.

Mother's Day Brunch



Breakfast Buffet
Saturday, May 11th
830a-1000a
\$10 per person
(No Reservations Required)



May 27th
Front Office Closed

2019 SENIOR SENIOR PROM



Newly crowned Prom Queen Payton Simmons & Prom King Wyatt Barajas had the honor to crown our very own **PHYLLIS NORUM** as the 2019 SENIOR SENIOR Prom Queen. The event was held at the Sunny Point Conference center the day after prom. Some Kayhi students (although very tired) spent a couple hours dancing with seniors from Peacehealth Long Term Care and KPH the day after prom. Be-

fore the event ended, a handful of students walked over to KPH to walk through the halls and show off their prom attire. The resident enjoyed seeing the gowns and the tuxedos! This has been an ongoing tradition and we hope to see it continue! Thank you KAYHI SENIOR CLASS!



Nurses Week May 6 - 12

Celebrated annually on May 6th since 1982, National Nurses Day is a holiday that not only celebrates nurses, it raises awareness about the importance of their contributions to society. This holiday kicks off National Nurses Week – a week that ends on May 12th and marks the birthday of Florence Nightingale. Thank you to the KPH nursing staff:

- ◇ Sue Mickelson
- ◇ Siri Alvey
- ◇ Susan Hagen
- ◇ Sandy Singer
- ◇ Betsy Utz
- ◇ Alex Macgillvray
- ◇ Girlie Cruz



STAFF BIRTHDAYS		
Paciencia Luke		5/1
Roberta Blair		5/5
Susan Hagen		5/8
Analyn Guillermo		5/13
Fatima Margaja		5/13
Lodi Credito		5/15
Norma Kile		5/16
Chona Rodriguez		5/21
Julie Sande		5/27
Alex MacGillvray		5/29
Randy Cadiente		5/31

We had an "EGG"cellent time!

From stuffing plastic eggs with sweet treats to coloring real ones with our PreK students, April was definitely "HOPPIN!" Thankfully the Kayhi Lady Kings Softball Team came to help with much of it! The Annual Easter Egg Hunt held on April 14th was attended by the children/grandchildren of KPH residents and staff and included games and searching for 300 eggs. This is the 4th consecutive year the Lady Kings Softball team has helped us. We are grateful to all the local youth groups that continue to come back each year for these special events.





Annual Easter Egg Hunt Day



It's a Dog Life!

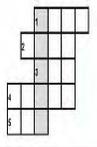
**RESIDENT & STAFF
DOG PARADE**
Dogs paraded through
the Great Room during
a Friday Ice Cream
Social. April was
**DOG APPRECIATION
MONTH**



May 12th
Mother's Day

National Nurses Week May 6th-May 12th

MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>MAY IS...</p> <p>Asian Pacific American Heritage Month National BBQ Month National Military Appreciation Better Sleep Month Healthy Vision Month National Osteoporosis Awareness</p>	<p>EVERY WEDNESDAY: 1230pm KNITTERS Group (SR)</p> 	<p>THURSDAYS SALON DAY w/ Dody & Vicki</p> <p>EVERY THURSDAY 1230pm UKULELE PRACTICE (SR)</p>	<p>1</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Exercise Class (GR) 130pm BINGO (GR)</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Exercise Class (GR)</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am PREK Activities (3rd Flr) 130pm ICE CREAM SOCIAL w/extra BIRTHDAY TREATS (for Delana & Sten)</p>	<p>4</p> <p>130pm Group Crossword Puzzle with Lesley & Jim (GV)</p> 
<p>5</p> <p>200pm Church Service (3rd Flr)</p>  <p>600pm 3rd Floor BINGO</p>	<p>6</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee FOUNDATION LUNCH 200pm "MOCKTAIL" Happy Hour in GREAT ROOM 300pm Pastor Keith Visit (SR)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Exercise Class (GR) 130pm Gospel Sing Along (3rd Flr)</p>	<p>8</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Tea Party w/ Homeschool & PRE-K Students 1100am Catholic Mass 130pm BINGO (GR)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Science Fair Set Up (GR) 930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Exercise GardenView 200pm Garden Club 515pm Pre-K FAMILIES & FRIENDS TO SCIENCE FAIR (GR)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am PREK Activities (3rd Flr) 130pm ICE CREAM SOCIAL w/Revilla HS Students (GR)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>830AM-10AM MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST BUFFET 130pm Group Crossword Puzzle with Lesley & Jim (GV)</p>
<p>12</p> <p>MOTHERS DAY Special Dinner for Residents 200pm Church Service (3rd Flr)</p>	<p>13</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 130pm RESIDENT COUNCIL Meeting in GARDENVIEW 200pm "MOCKTAIL" Happy Hour (GR) 300pm Pastor Keith Visit (SR)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Exercise Class (GR) 130pm Gospel Sing Along (3rd Flr)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am PRE-K Library Time 130pm BINGO (GR) 230pm MONTHLY BIRTHDAY PARTY (Pioneers of AK)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee (SR) 1030am Exercise Class (GR) 200pm Garden Club NO FAMILY DINNER</p>	<p>17</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee (3rd Flr) 130pm ICE CREAM SOCIAL (GR)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>130pm Group Crossword Puzzle with Lesley & Jim (GV)</p>  <p>ARMED FORCES DAY</p>
<p>19</p> <p>200pm Church Service (3rd Flr)</p> <p>600pm 3rd Floor BINGO</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 200pm "MOCKTAIL" Happy Hour (GR) 300pm Pastor Keith Visit (SR)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Exercise Class (GR) 130pm Gospel Sing Along (3rd Flr)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am PRE-K Library Time 1030AM LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP 1100am Catholic Mass 130pm BINGO (GR)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY JUANITA 930am Newspaper & Coffee (SR) 1030am Exercise Class (GR) 2:00pm Garden Club SPA NIGHT w/Tami & Teri 530p</p>	<p>24</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee (3rd Flr) 130pm ICE CREAM SOCIAL (GR)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>130pm Group Crossword Puzzle with Lesley & Jim (GV)</p> <p>HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOB!</p> 
<p>26</p> <p>200pm Church Service (3rd Flr)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>300pm Pastor Keith Visit (SR)</p> <p>memorial DAY Admin Front Offices Closed</p> 	<p>28</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Exercise Class (GR) 130pm Gospel Sing Along (3rd Flr)</p>	<p>29</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 130pm BINGO (GR)</p> 	<p>30</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 1030am Exercise Class (GR) 200pm Garden Club LAST DAY OF PRE-K Pre-K Graduation 530pm (GR)</p>	<p>31</p> <p>930am Newspaper & Coffee 130pm ICE CREAM SOCIAL (GR)</p>	<p>Science Fair!</p>  <p>MAY 9th Great Rm</p>

NEWSPAPER & COFFEE 930am EVERY Monday-Friday

MOCKTAIL MONDAYS Happy Hr 2pm

