

## ACTIVITY CALENDAR

### MAY

- **Newspaper Reading and Coffee** at 9:30 a.m. Monday—Saturday
- Our **Beautician** is here every Thursday
- **Library Time** with the Pre-school is every Friday at 10:30 a.m.
- **Exercise Class** with Debra is every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m.
- **Ice Cream Social** is every Friday at 1:30 p.m.
- **Hunter Reads Aloud** on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.



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# Ketchikan Pioneer Home

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## GREETINGS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Whew! We've had a busy spring! We hosted some wonderful activities this month and made some great new memories. In addition to all of our normal busyness, we were also moving back into our third floor spaces after six months of construction. It is such a relief and we are so pleased with the improvements.

I travelled to the Sitka Pioneer Home for Administrator meetings. As promised, I was able to meet the new Division Director, Ken Truitt. Mr. Truitt is from Southeast, Alaska and understands the issues facing seniors in our communities. He will undoubtedly be an asset to the Homes. Please help me welcome him aboard.

I will be announcing any future plans Mr. Truitt might have for travel to the KPH so those of you who wish to meet him in person can do so.

*Happy  
Spring  
Every-  
one!*



**Julie Sande,  
Administrator  
228-3362**

## MOTHERS DAY TEA



Annie Ruaro and daughter Debbi enjoy a giggle during last years Mothers Day Tea

*We will be hosting our annual Mothers Day Tea on Sunday May 12th @ 2:00 p.m. in the Great Room. We would like to honor the Mothers among us with special music from singer/songwriter Rudy Saccomanno, petit fours, pastries, and fresh cinnamon rolls.*



*Please be sure to join us!*

## LAST FAMILY DINNER OF THE SEASON



Brian Curtis, Mary Larsen and friends help entertain us during the April Family Dinner

*It's the last Family Dinner of the season, May 17th @ 5:00 p.m.*

*Our menu this month includes: Hummus Dip and Chips, Caesar Salad, Bacon wrapped beef ten-*

*derloin, twice baked potatoes, and asparagus. For dessert, we will be serving Peanut Butter Pie. Please be sure to RSVP at 228-3372 before Monday, May 14th so we*

*can be sure to reserve a spot for you and don't forget to request a smaller dining room if you would like to eat in a more private setting.*

***"If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other"***

- Mother Teresa

## BUTTON STRING

A few of our ladies hosted a "button string tea party". This was a chance for us to work on our own strings and share buttons while visiting with one another. Button Strings are a tradition from Victo-

rian times when women strung buttons on a tasseled ribbon. The buttons used must be given to you and are not from your own collection. It turned out to be a lovely activity and one we hope to do again.



Resident Judy Hansen looks on while working on her button string.

## VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION



Troop # 3 did a GREAT job helping us with our volunteer celebration. Thank you Boy Scout Troop # 3

We had so many of our favorite volunteers at the Volunteer Appreciation Party hosted by the KPH Resident Council. We enjoyed pizza, salad and chocolate desserts while highlighting our volunteers in a slide show of recent activities.

Each special guest was presented a potted flower as a token of our gratitude for their compassion and dedication to our residents. We are so grateful!.



One of our most dedicated volunteers, Mark Thompson speaks during the volunteer dinner. It's a great family and we are lucky to have him.

# COOKIE AROMATHERAPY



We can hardly believe it but the residents

helped bake their first batch of cookies on the third floor this month and have plans to bake

many more delicious smelling goodies in their neighborhood. It has been a long standing hope to be able to have a oven on the third floor and with substantial completion on the

renovation we are finally able to move in! It smells like heaven and we think perhaps, cookies have never tasted so good.

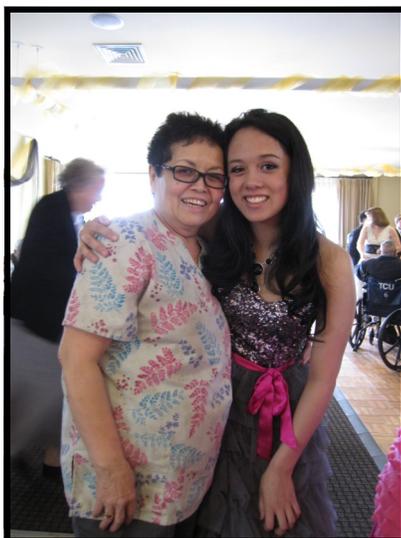


## KPH FOUNDATION

- Bob Sivertsen
- Alaire Stanton
- Nerissa Buendia
- Bill Moran
- Ed Zastrow
- Cleo Weston
- Ann Thompson
- Idonna Hanson
- Terry Wanzer
- Mona O'Dell
- Fred Monrean
- Sherrie Slick
- Ray Hendricks
- Linda Koons Auger

**The KPH Foundation is a non-profit organization whose sole purpose is to provide funding for projects not otherwise provided by the State of Alaska which enhance the lives of the Elders in our Home.**

The KPH Foundation would like to extend a thank you to everyone who helped make the Pick Click Give program such a success in our community. We hope to continue to participate next year as well, so giving to the Foundation from your PFD is as simple as Pick Click Give!



We say it regularly but we'll say it again. We have some really nice young people in our community. Once again the Senior Class held a "Senior Prom" the day after their own prom and invited all of the seniors in our community. We dressed up and enjoyed the beautiful gowns and danced the afternoon away! It was especially memorable to for C.N.A Trini Purschwitz as her granddaughter attended and resident Gladys Klose was able to attend with her granddaughter and received a stunning corsage.





# KPH

## Activity Calendar Continued...

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**The mission of AK Pioneer Homes is to assist older Alaskans to have the highest quality of life by providing assisted living in a safe home setting which promotes positive relationships, meaningful activities, and physical, emotional, and spiritual growth.**

- 5/6 Foundation Luncheon
- 5/6 Tongass Music Circle 3:00
- 5/10 Ice Cream social with Foreign Exchange Students
- 5/12 Mother's Day Tea 2:00
- 5/13 Resident Council 1:30
- 5/15 Monthly Birthday Part
- 5/16 Family Dinner 5:00
- 5/18 Ketchikan Youth Choir Concert
- 5/23 Plant Sale 2:00



## KPH INVADED BY GUERRILLA ARTISTS

The KPH residents and staff were tickled to learn we have been the recipient/victim of the latest in art trends: Guerrilla Art, which is where a group of artists covertly display their art and surprise people with it. It's a mystery though we did see some young artists scampering about in the garden. Since we do not know their names we cannot thank them properly, but we hope they know how grateful we are for the beautiful art in our garden. Thank you !



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



### RESIDENTS

**Merle Edwards**  
**05/18/1920**

### STAFF

- Geraldine Cousins 05/03
- Analyn Guillermo 05/13
- Lodi Credito 05/15
- Norma Kile 05/16
- Jela Barrera 05/21
- Chona Rodriguez 05/21
- Trini Purschwitz 05/27
- Julie Sande 05/27
- Alex MacGillivray 05/29
- Cherry May Catipon 05/31

*“May all your future years be free from disappointment, care or strife, that every birthday you will be a little more in love with life.”*

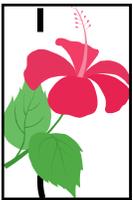
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# PLANT SALE

Thanks to our very talented staff and volunteers, our roof top Green House is overflowing with new seedlings and blooming geraniums. We will be having a plant sale on May 23rd at 2:00 p.m. Each



of these Tomatoes, herbs, annuals and house plants were grown by our volunteers and residents, all proceeds go to the Resident Council.



# WEDDING BELLS



Our Bridal Fashion Show and Tea has become one of our favorite activities. Staff, residents, family members and volunteers were kind enough to display wedding photos, mementos and even lent us some of their bridal gowns for the fashion show. Miguel Torres was the master of ceremony and gave us a little history of the dresses. One of our favorite wedding ensembles was loaned to us by resident Terry Lapinski who wore a stunning midnight blue velvet suit on her wedding day the early 1950's.

After the fashion show we watched a wedding slide show of all of our photos while eating wedding cake and sipping something bubbly!

