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Administrator's Corner

Belated Happy New Year everyone!!! Thanks to all the families and friends who joined the JPH Christmas lunch and to all the volunteers and staff who made the holidays a very special one for the elders. Thanks also to the elders and families who participated in the JPH survey. Your input is valuable and will be taken into consideration.

This year, I am very excited to share that the JPH flooring and the tub room remodel projects are moving forward. A big THANKS to our Department Facilities Staff and to Noah Lager for all the behind the scene work on these upcoming projects. Work is expected to start late Spring 2018.

The Juneau Pop Up library continues to be one of the favorites here at the JPH. Someone from the Juneau Public Library comes to the JPH every other Tuesday with cases of books, magazines, and DVDs so the elders have plenty to choose from and they are issued their own library card, too.

Recognizing the tremendous benefits of exercise especially to our elders, we continue to offer "Fun and Fit" five times a week. Last year, we started offering Tai Chi one afternoon a week. And believe me, Tai Chi really works! Starting this month, a morning "Rise & Shine" exercise will be offered to the JPH elders.

I recently came back from a trip to the Philippines, and my heart is filled with gratefulness to all of you - to the elders, the staff, the families, friends, volunteers, this community, and this country. Your kindness and love to all surely make this world a better place.

Gina :=)

Alaska Pioneer Homes Mission

Statement:

Providing
elder Alaskans
a home and
community,
celebrating
life through
its
final breath.

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PFD DEADLINE

MARCH 31, 2018

If your loved one needs help filling out PFD forms, please let Laura Minne know by calling 907-780-6422 ext. 240.

Eleanor's Funnies

At St. Peter's Catholic Church, they have weekly marriage support groups for husbands. During the session last week, the priest asked Giuseppe, who said he was approaching his 50th wedding anniversary, to take a few minutes and share some insight into how he had managed to stay married to the same woman all these years.

Giuseppe replied to the assembled husbands, 'Well, I've tried to treat her nice, spend money on her, but best of all is, I took her to Italy for our 25th anniversary!'

The priest responded, 'Giuseppe, you are an amazing inspiration to all the husbands here! Please tell us what you are planning for your wife for your 50th anniversary?'

Giuseppe proudly replied, **"I'm going to pick her up."**

CHRISTMAS HIGHLIGHTS



"Scottish Highland Dancers"



"COAST GUARDS"



Impersonator Gigi Monroe with Emilie



Santa Claus shakes hand with Lenore

NEW YEAR HIGHLIGHTS



JANUARY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY

January

Jeannette McLeod

January 3

Mary Lou Meiners

January 4

Rudy Ripley

January 14

George Foster

January 26

Bonnie Merritt

January 30

February

Hazel Nowlin

Feb 20

Phyllis Woodman

Feb 26

NEW RESIDENTS

ACTIVITIES AT-A-GLANCE

Rise & Shine Exercise

Tues & Thurs
9:30am

Singing w/Jacque & Jack

Mon & Thurs—
10:30am

Bingo

Mon, Tues, Fri & Sun
1:30pm-2:30pm

Board & Cards Games

Everyday @ 3pm

Bread Making / Tasting

Tues, 10:30am /
3:00pm

Tea Time

Wed, 2:00pm

Fun & Fit / Exercises

Monday—Sunday
4:00pm

Pioneer's Choice

6pm

Music with Dale

Every other Tues, 6pm

Piano Tues with T.J.

Every other Thurs, 6pm

Ice Cream Social

Fridays @ 1pm



GEORGE FOSTER

George grew up in Spokane, Washington with 11 siblings. In 1946, he moved to Alaska and worked on Gold Dragees (gold dregging) and worked in aviation as a station manager with many airways including Wien (first airline in Alaska). Prior to retirement, George worked for the Alaska Marine Highway. George has four children and is fluent in reading Ticker Tape,

(*Ticker Tape* was the earliest digital

electronic communications medium, transmitting stock price information over telegraph lines).

George is an Alaska History buff and enjoyed hunting, fishing and sports.



JANE MCKINNON

Jane was born in Seattle, Washington and her family moved to Alaska in 1934. Jane graduated from Nome High School where her father owned an air taxi service and later a mining operation. She attended UAF where she got her college degree in Business and met her (now late) husband Skip. After getting married they moved to Juneau

and Jane worked for 35 years

helping manage the family business at

Alaska Laundry and Dry Cleaners (which has been in operation since the late 1800's). Jane has three children Neil (Juneau), John (Juneau) and DeeDee Sund (Seattle). She has eight grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

NEW RESIDENTS



MARY LOU MEINERS

Mary Lou was the oldest of three children, born in Kansas City. She met her husband Herman while they were attending Catholic Colleges and in 1958 they moved to Fairbanks and then onto Juneau in 1964. Mary Lou's children from youngest to oldest are: Andy (Juneau), David (Juneau), Melanie (Juneau), Dennis (Spokane), and Herman Jr (Hawaii). She has seven grandchildren. For 20 years

Mary Lou taught Kindergarten at Glacier Valley, Northern Lights and finally retiring at Harborview Elementary School. After her retirement she worked part-time for the Division of Elections and did a lot of volunteer work.



CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Dottie Norden
Mar 3, 1925—Oct. 31,
2017

Dottie was born in Seattle but spent many of her growing up years around famous people in Hollywood. She made her way to Ketchikan on a date easy to remember: 6/6/1966. While there she enjoyed working as a Correctional Officer for Juveniles. Dottie liked this job because it matched her liking to Detective/Police Shows and mystery novels and felt like she was a policeman herself. Eventually Dottie had 5 children: Tommy (deceased), Dan, Susan, Patty and Kelly. She moved to Juneau on New Year's Day, 1972.

Home Projects



The JPH flooring and tub projects are moving forward. The targeted date for these projects is sometime late Spring.



CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Elaine Beedle

Aug 9, 1928–Nov. 15, 2017 years.

Elaine's family moved to Juneau from Washington in 1965. Her husband Homer came to Alaska first to seek out work opportunities. Elaine came from a family of 19 children and Homer was one of 15 children. Together Elaine and Homer raised 10 children and now have many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Elaine worked as a homemaker and also brought in additional children that she babysat. Once her children were older she worked in a bank and for the State of Alaska with the Longevity Bonus for 10



Dolores Anderson

May 2, 1929–Nov. 19, 2017

Dolores Adeline Johnson was born in Kake, Alaska on May 2, 1929. Her father was a Presbyterian minister. Dolores was raised in Kake along with her two brothers, Rusty and Arthur Johnson although she attended high school at the Wrangell Institute. Her third brother, Albert, died in infancy. Dolores attended a Seattle Business College, and in April of 1957, married Lonnie Anderson. Lonnie and Dolores raised five children together in Southeast Alaska. Their children are Lonna Jackson of Kake, Ronelle Beardslee of Petersburg, Kyle Anderson of Craig, Lonnie Anderson and Evelyn Maloney, both of Juneau. Dolores worked at the Post Office and General Store. Her husband Lonnie, is living here in the Juneau Pioneers' Home.



Chris Smyth

Dec. 14, 1936–Dec. 27, 2017

Chris was born in Colgate Oklahoma and has one sibling named Margie who lives in New Mexico. In 1972, Chris along with her husband Herb, 5 children and their cat moved to Alaska after Herb got a job here. When asked about important events in Chris's life she replied by saying it was the birth of her children: Roy, Herbert, Llewellyn, Julianna, Merigwen.

Before retirement Chris worked for the State of Alaska as the Record and License Supervisor for the Division of Motor Vehicles.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE



Anna Gregg
Nov. 6, 1927—Jan. 20, 2018

Anna was born in Juneau (St. Anne's) and she was raised from the time of being an infant in Gustavus. Her family (6 or 7 siblings) was one of the first families to Pioneer the town of Gustavus. Anna married Gene Chase and raised 4 children in Gustavus. Three children still live in Gustavus. Anna's first husband Gene died in 1993. She then married Doug Gregg in 1994, who was a childhood friend. Anna used to talk of being raised on a farm and described it as being very hard work, work that she did not wish to do again. Anna's husband Doug passed away here at the Juneau Pioneer Home about two years ago.



Pat Crabtree
Sept. 27, 1927-Jan 30, 2018

Pat lived with us for just a very short time before we sadly had to say goodbye.

Pat and her husband Bob lived on their boat and sailed all along the west coast from California to Alaska for much of their adult lives. They weathered many storms and had great adventures. After buying their home in Juneau, they continued to sail around until Bob passed away suddenly from a heart problem in 1999. Since then, Pat lived independently in Juneau and at her cabin in Tenakee. She has many good friends, a strong faith in God, a good sense of humor and a lot of good memories.



**JANUARY
BIRTHDAY**

- Carmencita Punongbayan—
Jan. 1
- Gina Del Rosario—Jan. 3
- Annabel Rawley—Jan. 8
- Joyce Cabrigas—Jan. 17
- Arjee Renegado—Jan. 24
- January 31— Mark Jimmerson

STAFF CORNER

Weight Loss
Challenge Winner
Heidi Hamilton



Congratulations!



**FEBRUARY
BIRTHDAY**

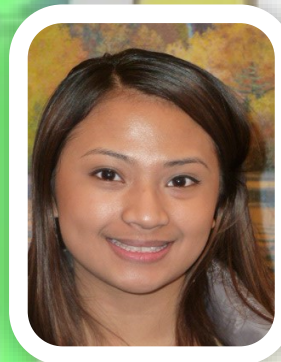
- Cathy Bohulano—Feb. 1
- Zenaida Hill—Feb. 22
- Susan Fritz—Feb. 24
- Michelle Domingo—Feb. 25



Myra Kalbaugh
Assisted Living Aide



Jedinilyn Larson
Assisted Living Aide



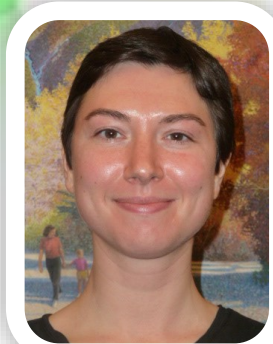
Suzanne Nierra
CNA



Robert Parto-Chef
Nana Services



Nelson Yadao
Assisted Living Aide



Brandy Wilson
CNA