
Fairbanks Pioneer Home News

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In December we welcomed new residents. Help us welcome Jon Johansen, Donna Miscovich, Norma Martinson, Dorothy Guritz and Doris Robbins to the Fairbanks Pioneer Home. Please stop by and say 'hello!' and learn something new about your new neighbors♥



December in Review

There is no better way to close out the year than by soaking up each and every opportunity of joy and laughter. We spent many days in December celebrating with friends and family over good food and entertainment. December has been whirlwind of excitement, fun and new friends and we wouldn't have had it any other way.

We were visited by several local musicians who played instruments, sang, danced and presented gifts for the pioneers of Fairbanks.

Residents kicked off December with a visit from the Borealis Charter school. Children sang Christmas carols and brought treats for residents to enjoy.

On December 8th Plack Road Baptist church put on their annual Christmas Program in which almost every resident in the house attended. The play was put on in the recreation room on our stage for full production value! The play was a hit and residents have already commented that they look forward to seeing it next year!

Staff whipped, stirred and simmered their best batches of various kinds of soup for residents to indulge in. Residents voted for their favorite and Mei Behr took home the prize with the most votes! Congratulations, Mei!

Staff throughout the entire building decorated each and every resident door in Aurora to help get residents into the holiday spirit. See page 4.

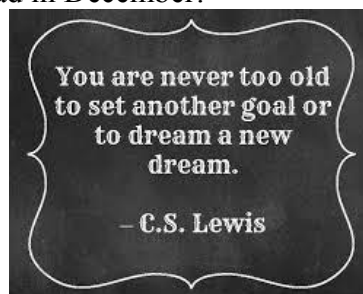
The North Star String Quartet performed on a Saturday afternoon for residents with a special performance by Zachary Spontak.

Ben 'The Balloon Guy' performed for residents. Ben is a balloon artist in Fairbanks and worked diligently to fulfill on-the-spot resident requests for balloon bicycles, dogs, flowers and hats! The residents look forward to seeing Ben again in the spring.

The annual resident Christmas party opened up with the Sweet Adeline's, a local acapella choir and Santa presented gifts to children in attendance.

While it is possible we all ate too many cookies, drank a little too much egg nog and sang many Christmas carols all in all the Fairbanks Pioneer Home and its residents found true joy and fulfillment this holiday season.

Keep reading to get a glimpse into some of the fun we had in December!

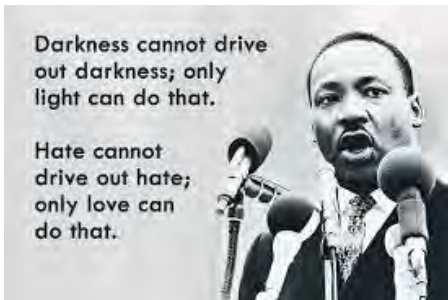


Looking Ahead

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Mark your calendars for these big events in January!

January 2nd- Piano Recital in the RR @ 1:30pm
January 9th- Lunch out @ Denny's @ Noon
January 13th- Flute Recital @ Noon in the RR
January 16th- Fred Meyer's @ 1:30pm
January 21st- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The Business Office will be closed Monday in observance of this holiday.
January 23rd- Resident Meeting @ 1:30 in the Library
January 24th- Thrifty shoppers at Value Village @ 1:30pm
January 26th- Glamour Nails with Girl Scouts @ 1:00pm
January 30th- Fireside with Angie @ 1:30 in the Ptarmigan room.



●Dietrich and Jorlyn enjoyed balloon art with Ben, The Balloon Guy in December



●Renate Reynolds gives a big hug to a preschooler following his performance.



●Residents receive cards following a Holiday Program presented by the ABC preschool.



●Caroline, Vera, Martha, Lillian, Lois and Clara enjoy hors' d'oeuvres and sparkling cider on NYE



●Doris Poland shows off her balloon flower from Ben, "The Balloon Guy"



●From left, Brittney, Bobbi, Chrissy and Annemarie joining in with residents to celebrate NYE!



●Our creative staff members got very creative decorating resident doors this year!



Happy Birthday!

- Mary Greene- January 1st
- Alice Reeves- January 6th
- Urban Rahoi- January 7th
- Wayne Gibson- January 10th
- Angela Geraghty- January 10th
- William Mudd- January 22nd
- Loretta Bemis- January 25th
- Dorothy Sonafrank- January 27th



●Angela Geraghty receives a handmade gift from a preschooler during December.



●Bertha sporting her new ‘cap’



●Barbara Parker and Donna Messina... maybe some of our residents had a little too much fun!



●Patrick and Rita Farmer ringing in the New Year together♥

In Memoriam

In December we lost our dear residents and friends Al Weber, Pard Richards and Joyce Hilyard. We will miss our beloved residents. Please keep the families in your thoughts and prayers.♥

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