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WELCOME TO SPRING FROM VALLEY VIEW

Arrays with color of rainbows and design were appreciated as the Memory Stitches Quilting Ladies Club from Ord and Loup City came to visit and display their labor of love of quilts. We saw everything from tractors to hearts and a few things in between. What a talent and time it takes to make an heirloom like that! They were beautiful and it just happened to be national quilting day this month.

This next week we are looking forward to Jim Goff, from Burwell coming. He is going to show us some expertise on photography and some of his unique work. We all like to see a good picture. There are some tricks to the trade.

We had a very interesting video that was brought in by Laddie Bruha. It was a barn moving experience that was done manually by app. 375 people. You have to see it to believe it could be done. They moved this huge monumental barn 150 feet out of a low area and turned the front of it toward the road. It was done during a big town celebration. They made it look so easy and it was a fascinating thing to watch. It is amazing what can be done with the right insight, education, planning and following through.

Gertrude Osentowski had a special birthday. There was an open house with lots of family and friends. She received many cards and is still getting a few. She had a wonderful time and it was a happy day for her!

Carol Miller showed us her creative nature as she demonstrated how to make a

flower arrangement with tulips. It made up just lovely! Vern Penas was the lucky one who won the arrangement. Ernest Chalupa won the rose bowl and Margaret Hanks won the tulip vase.

We managed to get out for a couple outings so far. We always enjoy going out to dinner. As of yet, there have not been many warm or sunny days. We know they will come. We are looking forward the next time, to see the grass turning green and more spring like weather. It was still chilly and left over winter when we went.

Cards and chicken foot bring in friends and volunteers that spend the afternoon having a good time playing games and having fun. We can't tell you enough how much we appreciate those of you who come show us a good time.

We also appreciate the dedication of our musical friends who come at the drop of a hat to help us out. You are all so kind and helpful. It is people like you, who make people like us have a wonderful day!

This years Volunteer Appreciation Supper will be held April 20th. Volunteers will be getting invitations in the early part of April for it. Each year we have a different theme and try to make it a fun outing!

Thank You! We wish you flowers that bloom with a scent of perfume. Happy spring!

~Sharon Hanks, Activities

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched, they must be felt with the heart."

~Helen Keller





Above: We enjoyed the tractor quilt presented by the The Memory Stitches Quilting Ladies Club.



Above: Devota Anderson is as snug as a bug in a rug.



Above: The flower quilt, done by the Memory Stitches Quilting Ladies Club, brightened the day.

IT'S SPRING FEVER!

Social Service Update:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MARY BURSON
04/12/2010

ROSE
BRITTENHAM
04/13/2010

ELDON LUKESH
04/18/2010

BENITA OVIST
04/19/2010

ADELINE ADAMEK
04/23/2010

OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF

PAM KOVANDA

REA FERN FAUSS

RALPH ZULKOSKI

Spring is finally here!! At this writing we are looking at a winter storm, but I know it won't last. Easter is the first Sunday in April this year and then no major holidays until May. Our Laundry is being sent out as of the first of this month. I hope everyone received the letter I sent out at the end of March. If you need any help ordering clothes or needed items for your loved one, give me a call and let me know. We do have one company that I can order from and they will send the bill to the responsible party. There are other catalogs available in my office that has adaptive clothing as well as regular

clothing.

The floors have been done just recently and boy do they look nice. Kudos to Environmental Services, they did a wonderful job. It's amazing how a simple thing can really change how things look.

I am looking forward to the Volunteer Banquet this month. We really do appreciate all of the wonderful volunteers that come in and enrich our resident's lives!!

See you all soon

~Julie Rowse S.S.D.

UPCOMING

APRIL 2010

Events

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| BUS RIDE..... | APRIL 2 |
| CAROLINE MENTZER..... | APRIL 6 |
| FUN BUNCH..... | APRIL 9 |
| POPCORN & MOVIE..... | APRIL 12 |
| RESIDENTS BIRTHDAY PARTY..... | APRIL 13 |
| CEDAR HILL MUSIC..... | APRIL 16 |
| SANDHILLERS..... | APRIL 19 |
| VOLUNTEER BANQUET..... | APRIL 20 |
| LUTHERN LADIES..... | APRIL 21 |
| BOWLING IN BURWELL..... | APRIL 23 |
| CHICKEN FOOT | APRIL 26 |

ROADS OF LIFE

BY JEN MCBRIDE

I started to ponder to myself that as we travel these roads in life the seasons are ever changing. Spring will start in a few days leaving winter's fury behind and the new plant life will make itself known. My friends and I here at the Valley View Living Center have been discussing the different flowers we would like to see planted and some of their favorites and I would have to say the majority was roses, pinks, reds, yellows and many more. Out on the South Patio area there are

wonderful, bright yellow flower boxes that will house the variety of flowers for spring and summer. I encourage everyone to stop by after the planting is done and take time to "Smell the Roses" or whatever else is planted.

For our time now here at Valley View Living Center we are awaiting the warm weather and a chance to get outdoors and breathe in the spring time and bloom where we are planted.



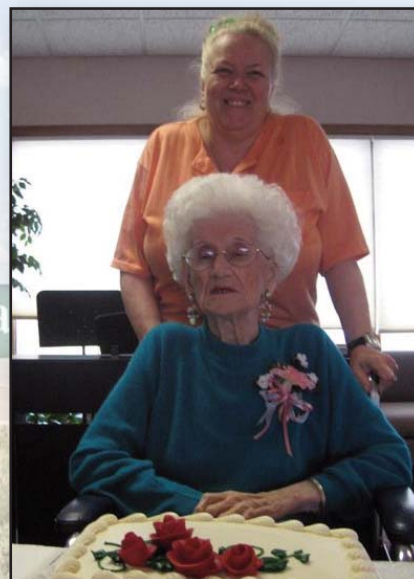
Above: Popcorn and a movie at Valley View.



Above: Resident Maxine and her friends who come to play pitch, Emanuel Sedlacek, Maxine Volf, Madeline Copp, Marlie Hansen and Martha Hoebet.



Left: Carol Miller demonstrated how to make a flower arrangement.



Above: Ruth Kokes and friend, Susan Lech who came to help celebrate Ruth's birthday.



Above: Jim Goff and his wife Charlene are showing his expertise in photography as residents enjoyed his unique work.



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Above: Gertrude Osentowski's 95th Birthday celebration.

April showers do bring May flowers. If you look real close, you can see the trees budding out and the grass is turning green. Everyone has a little more 'spring' in their step. It's a good feeling. All of us are looking forward to warm weather. You may want to take home some of your residents winter items until fall. Space is always limited.

We are going to have some work on our parking lot this month. I hope you will bear with us as it will be inconvenient for awhile but when it is done, we will have pavement which will be a great improvement!

May God bless you all this Easter.

Sincerely,

Connie Fread

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Valley View Living Center

HAPPY SPRING FROM

