



ELTERNHAUS NEWSLETTER

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The last several months have been busy ones. Our last newsletter showed Christmas at the Elternhaus. Since then we have had the Spencerville Academy Bell Choir Perform, Our Bluegrass Band, The Azalea Garden Tour, The Talent Show, Easter, St. Patrick's Day, Mother's Day, and Father's Day. And soon we'll be going to the Frederick County Fair- tends to be cooler in September, than August!



This is what the Dining Room looks like during the Talent Show, and the Bell Choir performance.



The Talent Show was a hit! Robbie Limon performed wonderfully. And "Just Because," the Blue Grass Band, gave us toe-tapping music. We love when families entertain us and the residents really get a kick out of the show!

The Bell Choir used our main dining table to configure their layout. We learned that the largest bell can cost hundreds of dollars, and that the students cross-train to be able to play different bells for certain songs. Those kids are energetic and fun. Jane Lanning, the director, brings out their best! Jane and Norma Sines' daughter were good friends years ago- an example of the Adventist network of mutual friends. You never know who you'll see again!



St. Patrick's Day brings in the creative touches of Diane with making as many things we eat green (and I mean GREEN!) for that day. Rolls, salads, drinks, and dessert.

For Easter, we had egg dyeing and decorating that was quite entertaining. Lily found she could write on the egg with a Sharpie- who would have thought of this?

The Cranes Getting In the Spirit of Things!



Tim, Too!



The Azalea Garden Tour was thoroughly enjoyed. The blooms were brilliant.

Mother's Day was a fantastic Carry-In, thanks to all of you! The food and company was out of this world. And the weather was agreeable, too!



Mary Stoller, Mary Janos, Romaine Weand, Theresa Pabst, Diane Crane, and Jennifer, our activity director- Posing at the Brighton Dam Azalea Gardens



Father's Day was a smaller gathering. Since we only have a few male residents, we included the staff and families. We had a Grill with vegeburgers, shish-kabobs, and potato salad. It was held outside by the fish pond and the day was brisk. Most residents had to put on sweaters! But again, the food was outstanding.



Charilyn with husband, and 3 kids, Stephen, Katie, and Joshua-in the yellow shirt. Tim's lovely wife, Amber, is pictured with Diane. And the handsome fellow with Tim, to the right, is Joel, Debbie's husband- posing with their grilling tools.



Other activities included watching the fireworks on Fourth of July, and spending lots of time visiting on the front porch.



From Tim's Desk-

God has blessed us with many new residents this year. Over the last 5 months, we have welcomed 9 new members to our extended family and we have one repeat customer, Florence Tilkens, who just returned. I am happy to report that we are full to capacity with a wonderful group of delightful seniors and their families. Just so there is no mistake... the families are delightful too. Welcome too La Verne Korff, Mary Rainey, Romaine Weand, Doris Schneider, Roland Hegstad, my lovely wife's grandfather Melvin Setzer, Ba Desai, Sarah Sturtz, and Gertrude Ross. We thank all of you who share stories and experiences about Elternhaus. We couldn't ask for better advertising.



Diane loves to keep the grounds beautiful for your families.



From Diane's Desk-

The photos in this newsletter speak a thousand words. If you did not see your mother or father in this edition, you surely will next time! God has been with all of us these last months since Christmas. Some of us have "fallen asleep" until the resurrection: Angie Barriere, Dee Downey, Dora Mae Pedersen, Doris Stewart, Emily Eyler, Janet McKegg, Jetta Brown, Kathy Bly, Marjorie Deapen, and Raymond Dow. We miss them, but they are safe in God's keeping. As I look at these pictures, I can't help but be proud of these wonderful seniors and the lives they have lived! And as I watch our staff work from day to day, I am ever grateful for their giving hearts and willing hands! I enjoy working with Tim as the financial manager, Debbie as the medical coordinator, Charilyn as our educator and QA, and Don as my soul-mate, in whatever is needed. Each of us plays an essential part in the Elternhaus family!