

THEVILLAGEBUGLE

A NEWSLETTER BY & FOR THE RESIDENTS OF PRESBYTERIAN VILLAGE NORTH

July 2016

The Knit-Wits (Knitting and Crocheting Fun and Fellowship)

Several months ago, Nancy Pike and Judy Morris met together to knit and discuss a weekly knitting group that might have interested PVN residents. The group began meeting in March in the breakfast coffee area. Wilma Malhiot, a master knitter, suggested the name Knit Wits which everyone thought described us to a tee. The group has grown enough so that we meet every Wednesday at 2:00 P.M. in the Fun and Games Room. Each has her own special project - from dish cloths, to baby hats, to scarves, to shawls, to small throw blankets and afghans.

All levels of knitters from beginners to master knitters are welcome, as are crocheters. The group includes, besides Nancy, Judy, and Wilma, Janet LaCava, Lee Schilling, Dorothy Swanson, Jean Vohtz, Cris Oliver, June Cornell, Norma Bedell, and Janice Bentley, a master of crochet.

ABBREVIATED VILLAGE BUGLE

The Village Bugle has been a tradition at PVN for some thirty-five years. Along the way there have been times when circumstances prevented the publication of a full twelve-page issue, but dedicated members of the Bugle staff have succeeded in publishing an issue every month.

Regretfully, health concerns and other matters affecting our editorial staff have made it necessary to publish an abbreviated version of *The Bugle* until a new editor emerges. Meanwhile it has been decided that the best course of action is to abbreviate the work load and divide the duties. Some regular features will be rotated and appear only periodically. Some will disappear. For example, *New Books In The Library*, will be posted on the bulletin board across the hall from the Spiritual Life Office.

We hope to be back to full strength soon. Thank you for your patience.

Frank LaCava



Besides enjoying fun and fellowship, the group will teach the PVN summer camp children the craft of French knitting done on small spools. Each child who elects to do this activity will have a handmade item to take with them at the end of camp. Each Knit Wit will mentor a child learning this craft, and we look forward to August fun.

We invite new members to join us at any time. We have generously donated yarn and needles, available for those who might want to try it or take it up after many years away from knitting or crocheting, a wonderful and productive way to spend a few hours with a congenial bunch!

Judy Morris

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IT'S TIME TO PUT ON THE DOG



First, put on your cheaters and a sun hat. Then bring your dog, actual or in memory, and meet at the front Circle Entrance to PVN at 9:00 AM on the Fourth of July. You'll join the doggie parade and vie for the most original costume to celebrate our

nation's two-hundred and fortieth birthday.

Later in the afternoon, after you've had a hot dog or two and a beer (and assuming you've signed up to go), the bus will take you to the Eisemann Center to jive to the annual Fourth of July Concert celebration.

Mark F. Schweinfurth

PVN FOUNDATION FACTS

The recent death of Charles Lynn McGowan, Executive Director of PVN from 1984 till 2002, brought to mind the Foundation's large contribution to build McGowan Auditorium, completed in 2002. The auditorium was one of several additions to facilities completed that year.

During McGowan's eighteen-year tenure, about twenty-two building projects were completed. At that time PVN was under Texas Health Resources, which granted \$2,000,000 toward campus development. The **Presbyterian Village North Foundation** granted \$3,047,000 to help make the projects a reality.

It was fitting that the first event in the new auditorium was the Volunteer Luncheon and Awards Ceremony—and now as then, those volunteer hours continue to be vitally important to PVN.

Margaret Ann Thetford

Slimming down. We are temporarily shortening the content of *The Village Bugle* until we select a new editor.

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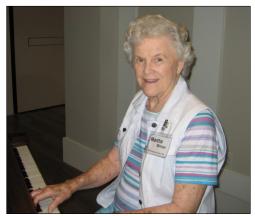
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Council Corner

2016: The Year of the Volunteer at PVN



Martha Binion at her piano

Pianist Martha Binion accompanies the Village rehearsals in weekly performances at worship in first Sunday Vespers services in McGowan Auditorium. Then on Tuesday mornings Martha plays for worship services for second-floor residents of Forest Glen, and again in Hillcrest House. On occasion she lends her musical gifts to other Spiritual Life events, especially funerals and memorial services. Mary Bonno plays for Sunday worship services at Arbor Place and for third floor residents of Forest Glen; and on communion Sundays she plays at Joyce Hall. Mary also plays for funerals and memorial services. Ruth Millis accompanies the hymn singing at second Sunday Vespers services in McGowan Auditorium and Joyce Hall. Bob Winn comes to play for our communion services on third Sundays. Pianists Christina Chen, Kathi Kupovics, and Joan Orleans come individually to play for other Sunday services. We appreciate these musicians who volunteer their talents to bring the beauty of music to our times of worship together, and we're still looking for more pianists! We all say thank you!

First Tuesday election. Council Treasurer David Kerr has asked us to accept his resignation, effective with the election of his successor. Nominating Committee Chair Mark Schweinfurth will report to our July Council meeting, and we'll then call for election. David has served us well as Treasurer, and we shall miss his wise counsel on our Steering Committee. Thank you, David.

Noel Pittman

THE BRANSONS ARE BEAMING



Bill Branson is the proud grandfather of Jack Paynter, celebrated playwright, producer, and director. Only a junior in high school, young Paynter wrote the play, selected the actors, and directed the year-end production at Dulles High School in Sugarland, Texas. Titled "Is This It?", it played to a full house so enthusiastic that they called for another Paynter production for next year. Bill and Marilyn Branson were both on hand, and Bill says it hasn't yet been decided whether his grandson will produce this same play next year or if he'll write a new one.

He's a winner in my book, whether or not he can write two smash hits in two years!

Joyce Forney

TOP SERVICE AWARD

"And the top Service Award for 17,500 hours goes to Aileen Trollinger," the Emcee at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas' fifty-year celebration announced this past April. It was April 1984 when Aileen began her volunteer work at the hospital. Working the Information Desk (yes, she wore the cute pink pinafore then) with a partner, she first put in the obligatory four hour stretch one day a week. "Presby" became like a family and Aileen began working more days, sometimes as many as five.



When **Dorothy Bolden** and Aileen teamed up on the desk, they formed such a good partnership that it led to Aileen's moving to PVN. She is so devoted to her volunteer job that she's unlikely to leave it willingly. It and PVN are anchors in her life.

Joyce Forney

WELCOME TO JOYCE HALL

Evalyn Forgerson (Unit 5202) and **Charles Smith** (Unit 5113) have been Independent Residents at PVN. We know you'll be happy to greet them in their new surroundings. Evalyn lived in many foreign countries with her husband. She loves playing Bridge and Rummikub and walks a mile or more each day. Charles worked as manager of a company that sold highway construction equipment. His wife, **Jackie**, is in Hillcrest House at PVN and he visits with her daily.

June Johnston (Unit 5213) and **Marion Thomson** (Unit 5319) also moved from Independent living. June loves Bridge and is excited to have a new Library to explore. Marion and his wife, **Diane**, moved here from S. Carolina after a life in banking in such places as S. America and Canada. Diane remains in a patio home on the PVN campus.

Mildred Vinson (Unit 5324) came directly from her condo in Fort Worth. A Texas girl, she attended school in Kopperl, and went to Fort Worth to attend business school after which she became an Executive Secretary and stayed 40 years on one job. Active in St Hilda's Guild, St. Andrews Episcopal Church and the Women's Club, she's still dabbling in investments.

Harry Auvermann (Unit 5204) was born in Elizabeth, NJ, and attended Texas A & M, majoring in Electrical Engineering. He worked at LTV, Texas Instruments, and various Army research labs, mainly in the area of Optics and Lasers, later branching out into Acoustics. Much of the last few years Harry has spent in his shop in the garage and enjoying his four grandchildren.

We welcome all of you to our wonderful community at Joyce Hall.

Marion Goodrich



At the George W. Bush Presidential Library



Ballroom Dancing with Dance Expert Johnny Tan



Teacher Mixer



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Happy Birthday!	
`Bill Brown	07/02
~Nita Westervelt	07/02
~Elizabeth McLean	07/02
`Billye Miars	07/06
`Bob Patchen	07/07
~Brad Golden	07/07
`David Jordan	07/07
`Anne Cottingham	07/12
`Billie Robinson	07/15
~Elizabeth Kriegel	07/18
`Joan McClure	07/19
`Roberta Cantwell	07/22
`Betty Wood	07/23
`Nancy Simpson	07/23
`Nancy Dolph	07/28
`Lovelle Wratislaw	07/28
`Jimmie Kennedy	07/31
<u>In Memoriam</u>	
~Bobbye Cooper	05/22
`Bessie Blanchette	05/26
-Orval Bakken	06/12
-Charles Leabman	06/18
-Healthcare	
~Assisted Living	

Wedding Anniversary

`Independent Living

Jane and Kyle Hobin July 3, 1947

Jean and Alvin Burns July 22, 1956

Louise and Sid VanderGalien July 30, 1948

