

Sea View Senior Living Community

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Sea View Senior Living's
April Showers Affair
Thursday, April 21 at 5:00 p.m.
Comfort food for a rainy day
Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Apple Crisp for Dessert
Special Music by *Spectrum Sounds*
Reservations Required
Please RSVP by 04/16/2011



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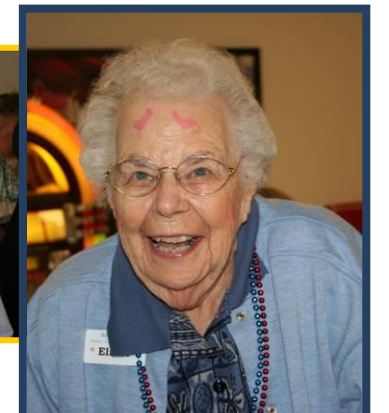
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April is National Humor Month – a positive contrast to the day income taxes are due (April 18 this year). National Humor Month was founded in 1976 by author Larry Wilde, director of The Carmel Institute for Humor, with the goal of raising public awareness about the therapeutic value of joy and laughter. If you've lived in Brookings for very long the thought of "April Showers" can be a bit disconcerting, seeing as how we already have two rainy seasons a year, six months each! But as Henry Wadsworth Longfellow once said, "The best thing one can do when it's raining is to let it rain." And here at Sea View we continue to find things to make us smile and laugh in spite of the endless rain.



Gras party, and Elinor laughs at the marks left behind by her Mardi Gras mask.



for the wonderful job he did helping our residents learn to be safer drivers, guiding them through an obstacle course, giving out awards and prizes and even cleaning our residents' power chairs. Felix and Minnetta carefully wove their way through the cones and Fran got very attached to the scooter Gary brought with him. He thought he was going to have to go home without it!

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

St. Patrick's Day brought visits from several leprechauns, which set the mood for a festive celebration that evening. Our residents donned green hats and beads and celebrated with community guests and four members of the Boon Dock Band who created an atmosphere of merriment with lively Irish music.



Eating is a popular activity around Sea View and St. Patrick's Day was no exception. Our residents and guests enjoyed a wonderful buffet of corned beef and cabbage, Guinness stew, Irish soda bread and mint chocolate cake. Thank you, Rob, for another job well done, and to all of the staff who helped in planning,

Karaoke

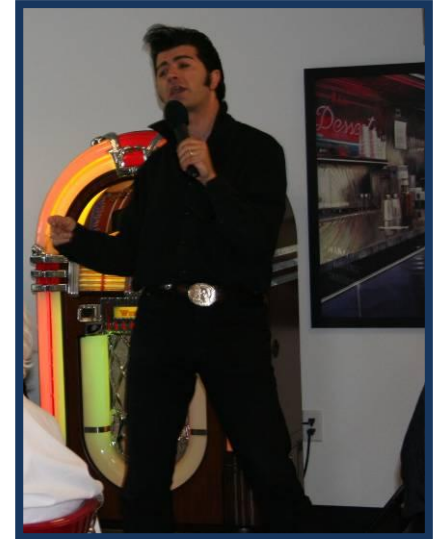
We had the pleasure of having "Elvis" in our very own Soda Shop when Tony and Stephanie La Torre came to host our first Karaoke here at Sea View.



...and they enjoyed singing and dancing by our residents, guests and hosts.



...with her powerful voice.



...to Edna



Carl had fun singing and showing off his dance moves with Caroline and Kathy.



Stan was a real crowd-pleaser with his rendition of *In The Mood*. Good job, Stan!



...beautiful voice, and her son and grandson got up and sang for her.



Alice and Rosie were among the residents who watched the brave ones get up and sing.



setting up beforehand and cleaning up afterwards



efforts are appreciated!



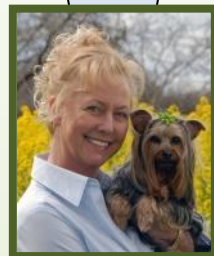
A Note From Our Director Jim Fuller



I would like to express how thankful, as a community, we are to our local coast guard, fire and police departments, as well as other government agencies that were of help during the recent tsunami. The team work involved in assuring our residents' safety, as well as the community in whole, reflected how dedicated our folks are.

I am thankful also for all of the support and concern of our staff in making sure all was safe and well here at Sea View. We had several staff members who came in early that day to see if there was anything they could do to help. With all of our emergency systems in place and working properly we were well prepared for any outcome. We have a dedicated safety team that is put into action in the event of any emergency we might encounter.

As part of the Brookings-Harbor community, Sea View is a committed refuge and safe haven for the Red Cross. We house a certain amount of their supplies and can accept guests upon an emergency. We are proud to be able to offer this service.



Jan's Corner

Where Do We Start?

Often I am contacted by family and friends of their loved ones. It may be their neighbor, their parents or their grandparents. They are concerned that their family member or friend is in need of some assistance but do not know how to begin that conversation.

Possibly, this person that we care for is at risk. Perhaps they are not eating properly, they may be having falls, they are lonely, their personal hygiene is beginning to slip, or we are worried that they are not taking their medications properly. And sometimes, because of some level of dementia (short term memory loss), they are not making good decisions or are at risk to wander from home and not find their way back.

We can tend to "put on our blinders" because we are in denial or we fear approaching this person because we think they will be resistive to the idea.

Either way, we have a responsibility to care for these seniors who are vulnerable. We must be their advocate, even when they deny our help.

A good place to start is to begin talking to an expert in this field. I have been assisting families and residents for almost 10 years now and counseling families through these tough decisions is my expertise.

I am available by appointment any day and any time.

Please call me at 541.469.4500

Warmly, Jan

Meet Sherree Corlett



Have you ever met someone who is hard-working, kind to everyone, has a great attitude and is a complete pleasure to be around? If there are too few people like this in your life, stop by Sea View one day and meet Sherree, one of our housekeepers and food servers here at Sea View.

Sherree was born in Inglewood, California and moved to Downey at the age of 5, then on to Fallbrook, California where she and her husband ran a horse ranch and avocado grove. Sherree has three daughters, ages 33, 30 and 17. Three years ago, she came to Brookings for a vacation with her youngest daughter and ended up buying a house while they were here.

The move to Brookings brought a much needed change in Sherree's life. She was working at Portside Suites when an owner and a manager of Sea View met her and asked her to come and apply for a job with us. The rest is history and we are very lucky to have her here with us!

Sherree has worked in property management, worked for 4H for 4 years and taught vet science. She adores horses, is an avid horse rider, has done a lot of horse showing and has the ribbons and trophies to prove her ability. She also likes to camp and, these days, is spending a lot of time painting and re-doing the inside of her house.



Sherree says that Sea View is one of the nicest facilities she has ever worked in and she absolutely loves the residents. The residents all love her too we all do! Sherree, thank you for the wonderful job you do, for your upbeat attitude, your smile that greets us every morning and your willingness to do whatever needs to be done.

You're awesome!



Staff & Residents Involved in the Community!

The residents who live at Sea View Senior Living lead very active lives and are very much involved in our Community.



One of the projects that we have taken on is organizing a team for "Relay for Life"!

This year we have a coordinated effort of Staff and Residents. Our group fundraiser is a Luau that will be held at Sea View on Saturday, June 25, 2011. The tickets will be pre-sold for \$15.00 each. We also have individual efforts on the part of all staff and all residents.

If you would like more information about our Luau, or to make a donation for Relay for Life, please contact Jan at 541.469.4500.

"Come be part of the fun at Sea View Senior Living"