

## WELCOME

Bernard “Victor” King is a native of Culpeper County Virginia. He is a retired farmer. He has his wife were married 50 years. He enjoys television, radio and socials. In his younger years he liked to ride horses but found himself using on farm for chores. Stop and share a warm welcome.



John Cox is from Patrick County VA. He was living with Culpeper prior to his admission. He likes to be called “Pete”. He is a retired truck driver after working for 70 years. He shared his favorite state is Texas as you can drive all night and still be in the same state. His favorite sport is NASCAR, and his number #5 driver is Kyle Larson. He is happy to say he lived life doing what he loved driving a truck and seeing the United States.



## December Birthdays

- 12/10 Minnie Alvis
- 12/16 Louise Trost
- 12/24 Nancy Martin
- 12/9 Bernard Taylor



## OUTINGS

- You must sign up 72 hours prior to trip
- 12/4 Shopping Belk & Dinner Outback Steak House
  - 12/9 Lights Tour
  - 12/11 Lunch: Peppers Grill
  - 12/18 Lights Tour



Dorothy Cluff is from the town of Orange. She moved here in 1961. She graduated from Vanderbilt with a bachelor’s in nursing and then went on to the University of Virginia to obtain a master’s to be a nurse practitioner. She retired from the Department of Urology at UVA. She is a member of Rhoades Ville Baptist Church. She enjoys crafts and sewing and continues to attend the Charlottesville Senior Center. Let’s give her a warm welcome.

## Celebrating December

**Safe Toys and Gifts Month**

**National Tie Month**

**Computer Science Education Week**  
*December 9–15*

**Eat a Red Apple Day**  
*December 1*

**Sacher Torte Day**  
*December 5*

**Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**  
*December 7*

**Weary Willie Day**  
*December 9*

**Cocoa Day**  
*December 13*

**Cat Herders Day**  
*December 15*

**Eggnog Day**  
*December 24*

**Christmas Day**  
*December 25*

## Timeless Treasures

Old-fashioned toys have a timeless charm that still brings joy during the holiday season. These classic playthings remind us that fun doesn’t need to be high-tech to be memorable. Take the Slinky, for example. Invented in the 1940s by a mechanical engineer, this simple metal spring became an instant hit. Kids marveled as it “walked” down stairs. Over 300 million Slinkys have been sold since.

Then there’s the yo-yo, which dates back to ancient Greece. The modern version we know today gained popularity in the 1920s. Yo-yos were a must-have for kids learning tricks like “Walk the Dog” and “Around the World.” They remain a nostalgic favorite and are often found in Christmas stockings.

Another beloved toy is the Etch A Sketch, introduced in 1960. This magical drawing board uses knobs to create pictures with aluminum powder. It sold over 600,000 units during its first Christmas season. The Etch A Sketch became a staple under the Christmas tree, offering endless creativity without the need for batteries.

No list of classic toys would be complete without the beloved jack-in-the-box. Originating in the 16th century, this whimsical toy has delighted children for centuries. The thrill of turning the crank and waiting for the cheerful pop of a clown or other character never gets old—a perfect reminder that sometimes the most delightful toys are the ones that make us smile with anticipation.

And who could forget Lincoln Logs? These wooden building sets were created in 1916 by John Lloyd Wright, the son of renowned architect Frank Lloyd Wright. This open-ended toy allowed children to build miniature log cabins and other structures. The sets are still cherished for their simplicity and the way they spark the imagination.

These toys remind us that sometimes the simplest playthings bring the most joy. Consider adding a few of these timeless classics to your holiday traditions. Perhaps you even have some stored away in an attic. They’re sure to bring smiles, just as they have for generations.

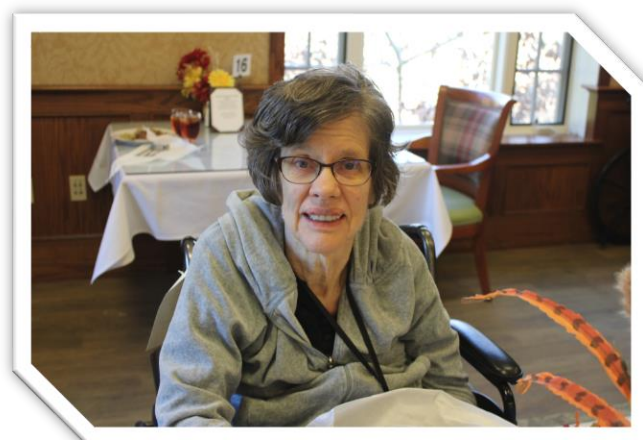


Veteran's Day luncheon was a wonderful day to celebrate the service of our Veteran's!



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Martha Keller is from Pittsburgh, PA. She is living at Dogwood with her husband. She eagerly shared that she has been married for 58 years. She graduated from Muskingum College in Ohio. She retired from teaching junior high. She was super active in her church with volunteering for lady's bible group. She expressed her greatest accomplishment in life was to raise two wonderful children with whom she is proud to call her own. Stop in a say hello.



## HOLIDAY BINGO-JINGO



- 12/1 Bingo
- 12/5 Bingo W/Ellen
- 12/12 Bingo
- 12/15 Bingo
- 12/19 Bingo W/Ellen
- 12/22 Holiday Bingo Bash
- 12/26 Bingo
- 12/29 Bingo

### Calling All Bingo Lovers



Bingo is celebrated throughout December in church halls and community centers because December is Bingo Month. The game dates all the way back to 1530, when Italians played a game called *Lo Gioco del Lotto d'Italia*. Some even say that this game was used to fight government corruption. Instead of winning a pot of money, those holding winning numbers were elected as local leaders. The French first introduced a playing card full of numbers. Then in the 1800s, the Germans used the game as a tool to teach children math and spelling. It first appeared in America in 1929 at a carnival near Atlanta, Georgia, where it was called "Beano." When an excited winner shouted out the word *bingo* by mistake, an entrepreneur named Edwin S. Lowe overheard the faux pas, renamed the game, and employed a Columbia University mathematician named Carl Leffler to create 6,000 randomly numbered bingo cards. Leffler purportedly went insane from the task. A Catholic priest asked Lowe to show him the game as a way of raising money for the church. Bingo has been a church hall mainstay ever since.

## DECEMBER EVENTS

- 12/3 Side by Side
- 12/3 Piano Music W/Janet
- 12/4 Blue Birds of Happiness
- 12/4 Kevin Salyer
- 12/5 Ornament Scoop
- 12/6 Billy Caldwell
- 12/6 Tree Lighting
- 12/8 Holiday Karoke
- 12/9 Peanut Auction
- 12/10 Christmas Show W/Dwight Martin
- 12/12 Smokey Wilson
- 12/13 Bollywood
- 12/14 Frosted Trees
- 12/14 Singing Grandpa
- 12/16 Nashville Standard
- 12/17 Davis & Bradley
- 12/18 Blue Birds of Happiness
- 12/18 OCHS Chorous
- 12/19 Alan Newton
- 12/20 Ugly Sweater Holiday Social
- 12/22 Holiday Tunes W/Haylee Berry
- 12/23 Charlie Lopez
- 12/24 Tree Punch
- 12/27 Fruit Cake & Coffee
- 12/31 New Years Eve Wine & Cheese



## DONATIONS ACCEPTED:

- Quilts/Throws
  - Shampoo/Bodywash
  - Knick Knacks
  - Christmas Décor/Trees
  - Fake Flora/Home Décor
  - Snacks/Candy
  - Paper Items/Gift Wraps
  - Craft Supplies
  - Party Dishes/Kitchen Items
- Please reach out to Lisa Erb if you wish to donate.

## Halloween Happenings

Staff showing off their creative costumes!



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 12/20 Wear your ugly sweater and show off some holiday spirit. (Prizes given)
- 12/23 Holiday Milk Shake Bar in the lobby area for residents and staff
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Service in community room with Pastor Pam Edelman.