#### **Resident Highlight of** the Month



We are excited to recognize Marie Meehan as our resident highlight of the month! Marie grew up in Indiana, the "Crossroads of America". Throughout her life she married an A4 pilot, had 5 children, and spent 5 months of her life living in the Philippines. She went on to earn her master's in education, guidance, and testing at the University of Notre Dame. Interestingly, Marie also carried her wedding dress 9,000 miles! Make sure to ask Marie about this unique story! Marie brightens our community with her warm smile and positive attitude.

Resident Highlights are selected at random each month by the activities department.

#### September Birthdays

**Carl Barnes Phil Newman Dorothy Dodd Doris Hall Patricia Stryker Byrnina Armes Hattie Cox Julius Winkler Katie Thompson Ethel Beall Daniel Grenoble** Norma Warriner **Donald Mcpeters Priscilla Fosnaught** Willis Thompson

September 3rd September 7th September 8<sup>th</sup> September 9<sup>th</sup> September 9<sup>th</sup> September 11<sup>th</sup> September 15th September 16th September 18th September 19th September 20th September 20th September 24th September 25<sup>th</sup> September 27th

#### **Previously Celebrated Birthdays**

**Ralph Goodman Joyce Gould Arlene Hunt** Jean McManus **Faith Smith Donnald Stannard Edith Fuechslin** Anne Sedwick **Barbara Brandis** Marian Light

August 6th August 7<sup>th</sup> August 8th August 11<sup>th</sup> August 16th August 18th August 18<sup>th</sup> August 27th

August 31<sup>st</sup>

August 6th

#### Welcome New Neighbors

**Bill & Barbara Blankenship Mary Blevins** Arlene & Russ Hopkins **Donald Stannard Dennis Daigneault Robert Savage Curtis Robb** David Dunn

**Room 243 Room 221 Room 409 Room 417 Room 222** Room 314

**Room 220** 

**Room 430** 

Mark your Calendar for our Birthday and New Neighbor Social on 9/24 at 2pm in the Game Room!

#### September 2024

# The Crossroads at Bon Air

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#### **Our Management Team**

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getting the occasional rap on the knuckles with a ruler was not unheard of!

Technology in the classroom was a far cry from today's smartboards and tablets. The trusty chalkboard was the centerpiece of the room, and students wrote on slates with chalk. Desks were often bolted in neat rows, and flexible seating was just a dream. Instead of Googling answers, students flipped through well-worn textbooks and took meticulous handwritten notes.

School supplies were prized possessions. Pencils and paper were often shared among siblings, and ink wells and nib pens were part of the daily routine. Lunches, wrapped in cloth or paper, were brought from home-no cafeteria pizzas or chocolate milk here!

Extracurricular activities, though fewer, were cherished. Recess games like hopscotch and kickball, along with school plays and community events, were major highlights. Physical education was simple and often included activities like dodgeball or relay races.

Getting to school was an adventure in itself. School buses were a rarity, so many children walked long distances, rain or shine. This daily trek often built a strong sense of community, as families and neighbors connected through their local school.



# **School Days Flashback**



As September approaches, the sight of children heading back to school brings a wave of nostalgia, reminding us of how schools used to be.

Back in the day, many schools were one-room schoolhouses, especially in rural areas. Imagine one teacher managing students of all ages and grades in a single room. Discipline was strict-

# Christmas in July Celebration



The CABA marketing team brought Christmas spirit to liven up this hot summer during our

Christmas in

July celebration and vendor fair. Residents were able to shop for products supplied by many local vendors and small

business owners.

The celebration was sweetened by an assortment of beautifully decorated Christmas cookies and Frozen hot chocolate.



# **Cooking with Alyssa**



Last month Residents made delicious looking lettuce wraps with the help of our lead concierge Alyssa. Be sure to mark your calendars and save your appetite for Alyssa's next class on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

# **Activities to Try**

September 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 1:00pm Travel club Meeting

September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm Poker Night

> September 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm McAllister's Musical Performance

September 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> @ 10:30am Line Dancing with Carole

> September 16<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30pm Cooking with Alyssa

September 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm Joe Loschiavo Piano Performance

September 20<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30pm Activity Committee Meeting

September 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6:00pm Richmond Downtown Tour with Eli

September 26<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm Resident Food Meeting

September 26<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00am Dolce Vita Italian Restaurant Outing

> September 27<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00pm Resident Council Meeting

# **Activity Committee**

Are you interested in helping plan and discuss future activities? Last month we kicked off our activity committee with a successful meeting. We will be having meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month at 2:30 in the Activities room, so be sure to bring your best ideas to contribute to our activity program.

# Memory Care Neighborhood



Check out all the fun we've been having in our memory care neighborhood!

#### The Photocopy Pioneer

The next time you make a photocopy, be sure to give thanks to Chester Carlson. He invented the first commercial photocopier, the Xerox 914. His invention was introduced to the public on September 16, 1959, in the Sherry-Netherland Hotel in New York. Its debut was far from perfect, however, with one of the two models catching fire. Despite this mishap, it stunned audiences with its ability to make 100,000 photocopies per month, or one copy every 26.4 seconds.

Carlson invented a copying process called *xerography* as early as 1937. This process, first called *electrophotography*, is based on the natural phenomena whereby materials of opposite electrical charges attract and some materials become better conductors of electricity when exposed to light. Using these principles, Carlson developed a six-step process that created copies much faster than a mimeograph machine and much more cheaply than a photograph. Carlson's invention proved so successful that Haloid changed its name in 1961 to the Xerox Corporation.

#### Fun Drum with Terri



Terri Bradbury shares her endless energy with residents through drumming and dancing. Stop in and drum along to nostalgic tunes and get your daily exercise all at once!