

Hale Creek Manor

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Making Gingerbread Houses



Decorating Cookies



Families and Heartland joined our residents in decorating Christmas cookies



During the month of December Heartland Home Care, Compassus Home Care and Kathy Alward & Julie assisted our residents and their families in making and decorating gingerbread houses. Each house was customized with various candies and snack foods to make a unique creation. Thank you to both agencies and Kathy Jane for the wonderful experience!



In Memory

Harold Bruce Billeter

February 17, 1935 - December 25, 2019

Bruce passed away Wednesday, December 25, 2019 at Union Court in St. Charles. Age 84 years. He was born on February 17, 1935 in Chesaning to Harold and Flora Billeter. Bruce married Gloria Chapman on April 29, 1961. She preceded him in death on September 1, 2018. He graduated from Central Michigan University with a BS and MA and was a high school administrator. Bruce was a member of Optimist International, St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hale, its men's group, choir and served as an usher at the church. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and won many awards with his colored pencil art.

Surviving are his children Gregg Billeter, Brian Billeter, Paul (Kirsten) Billeter, and Marcy Tomlinson; grandchildren, Austin Tomlinson, Jamie (John) Nyberg, Kylie Billeter, and Kevin Billeter; sisters, Lois (John) Spaeth and Macy (David) Compton; brothers, Dale Billeter and Alan (Rosalie) Billeter and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded by his parents; his loving wife, Gloria and sister-in-law, Sue Billeter.

Funeral services will be held 12:00 p.m. Saturday, December 28, 2019 at St. Charles United Methodist Church, 301 W. Belle Ave., St. Charles. Rev. Karen Sorden will officiate. The family will receive visitors at the church on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until time of service. Memorials may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Hale or the National Parkinson Foundation.

January Birthdays



January 1	Edwin Davis
January 4	Curley Myers
January 19	Virginia Cargill
January 20	Myron Herzog
January 22	Evelyn Shellenbarger

Pictures with Santa



Resident Spotlight- Evelyn Shellenbarger

Evelyn was born in the Detroit area on January 22, 1930, one of 4 daughters. She graduated from Big Beaver high school in 1947, third highest in her class! After graduating she worked in a factory, in a pharmacy and for a physician. Then she married her husband, Grant, and worked as a keypunch operator prior to having children. Evelyn was a stay at home mom until her youngest child was 4. She then worked for Livonia Public Schools in their personnel department for 25 years, then moved up to Hale and worked for the Iosco News Herald for close to 20 years, working in collating, eventually becoming the supervisor of that division. When health issues forced her to quit working a few years ago, she moved into Hale Creek Manor.

Evelyn has three children; Kevin is a sales manager and lives in Livonia with his wife, Chris; Tamara is a teacher in Key Largo, Florida; and Jane is a college professor at the Rochester Institute of Technology in New York. Both Kevin and Tamara are retiring this year. Evelyn has been blessed with four grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She enjoys crossword and jigsaw puzzles.

Evelyn feels the key to happiness is having a positive attitude. She loves Manor life, has made a lot of friends here and helps other residents when playing bingo. Her children feel better knowing she is in a safe environment and being well taken care of at the Manor.



The Sound of Music

In December we were blessed as several local organizations brought the joy of Christmas carols to our residents, staff and guests.



Above are the Cub Scouts from Pack 3990. They did a wonderful job and visited with residents afterwards.

Below are students from Hale High School who provided vocal harmonies for all to enjoy.



Our Christmas day



Several residents and their families were treated to a wonderful Christmas meal of turkey, ham, stuffing and many other tasty dishes. Thank you to our kitchen staff!

Below and on the lower left are the violin players led by our own Lynn Barclay. Thank you to the Hale United Methodist Church for coming to carol with us!

