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The Villager Newsletter

Recipe for A Happy New Year

Take twelve whole months. Clean them thoroughly of all bitterness, hate, and jealousy. Make them just as fresh and clean as possible.

Now cut each month into twenty-eight, thirty, or thirty-one different parts, but don't make up the whole batch at once. Prepare it one day at a time out of these ingredients.

Mix well into each day one part of faith, one part of patience, one part of courage, and one part of work. Add to each day one part of hope, faithfulness, generosity, and kindness. Blend with one part prayer, one part meditation, and one good deed. Season the whole with a dash of good spirits, a sprinkle of fun, a pinch of play, and a cup full of good humor.

Pour all of this into a vessel of love. Cook thoroughly over radiant joy, garnish with a smile, and serve with quietness, unselfishness, and cheerfulness. You're bound to have a happy new year.



The Wesley Readers—Book Club

The first meeting of the Wesley Readers will be Sunday, January 5 at 1:00 p.m. in the Library. Special guest for this first meeting will be local author, Brian Hander. If you like to read, don't miss this opportunity for great book discussions and reviews. The group will meet every other Sunday afternoon.





January Birthdays

Resident Birthdays
3-Mary Lou Walker
6-Barbara Doepp
6-Janice Smart
9-Gwen Harlin

Staff Birthdays
4-Sharon Jackson
14-Tonya Thompson
23-Marie Stanfield



January is a month of new beginnings, named after the Roman god Janus, that two-headed deity who faced both backwards and forwards, recalling the past even while he looked ahead to the future.

Welcome New Residents

Mary Lou Walker—Apt #203

Mary Lou was born in Riverton, lowa and went to school in Hamburg, lowa. She worked for Roy Perry Farmers Insurance Agency. She was married and has 2 children, 3 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild. She likes to read and work word search puzzles.



Special Activities This Month

- Betty Cassell's Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, January 1 at 10:30 a.m., followed by the Old Timers Music at 12:30 p.m. Bro. Jerry's Bible Study will NOT meet on January 2.
- Thursday afternoon, January 2, we'll begin the series "A Man on the Inside." Each week during the month of January at 3 p.m. we'll watch 2 episodes as we follow a retired man who gets a new lease on life when he answers an ad from a private investigator and becomes a spy in a secret investigation into a retirement home theft.
- The very first meeting of the Wesley Readers book club will be Sunday, January 5 at 1 p.m. in the Library. Guest speaker will be author, Brian Hander. Come be a part of this group and enjoy some interesting Sunday afternoon book discussions and reviews.
- Tuesday, January 7, we'll watch Amazing Places on our Planet. Come to the chapel at 1:30 p.m. for this armchair travel activity.
- The Resident Advisory Committee will meet Wednesday, January 8 at 1.
- Thursday, January 21, we'll watch a documentary on the building of the Empire State Building. Come to the chapel at 1:30 p.m. to enjoy this presentation.
- The Friday movie will be on the 24th. We'll watch Sully, the story of pilot, Chesley Sullenberger who lands his damaged plane on the Hudson River in order to save the lives of passengers and crew. Come to the Library at 1 p.m. Popcorn will be served!
- Friday, January 31, come to the lobby at 2 p.m. to craft your own hot chocolate at our hot chocolate station, stocked with all kinds of yummy toppings!