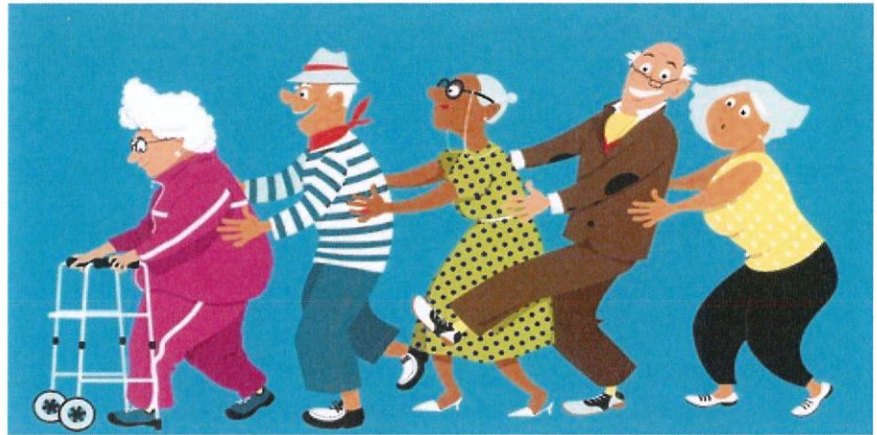


HILLVIEW MANOR NEWSLETTER 2024



ISSUE TWELVE

December is extra busy this month. Besides the usual assortment of entertainers and outings some additions that will only take place this month were added to our already busy calendar.

On December 5th was the Festival of Trees Tea. The family room was beautifully decorated and tables set up for the residents. The Hospital Auxiliary brought trays of Christmas baking and we supplied the coffee. Gift bags for all the residents were handed out and their contents enjoyed by the folks. Doris Trobert provided the entertainment. She played guitar and sang a variety of Christmas songs while accompanied by Ken Geisel on the piano.

December 18th was to have been the annual Twinkle Tour. However because of extremely icy streets we had to cancel for this year. Luckily we were able to re-book the tour for Monday the 30th. This turned out to be a busy day for the folks.

December 20th was the resident Christmas Party. Wilma and Val along with our folks provided the entertainment. The folks enjoyed music, treats and presents.

December 30th was when we celebrated New Years Eve. The Caragana Ramblers came and provided the entertainment. Pictures that aren't in this newsletter will appear in the January 2025 one.





*It's beginning to look a lot like
Christmas*

*Soon the bells will start
And the thing that will make 'em
ring is the carols that you sing
Right within your heart*



The month of December saw 5 of our residents celebrating their birthdays

December 16thPauline Benko

December 17thAnne Fleck

December 19thLes Huff

December 23rdLois Huff

December 27thJoy Schell



Pauline, Anne and Les share the zodiac sign of Sagittarius. It is represented by an archer or a bow and arrow. Sagittarians are outgoing, cheerful and draw admiration from everyone who come in touch with them. They are faithful, intelligent, forceful and sympathetic. They are one-of-a-kind, gifted and wise beyond their years.



Lois and Joy are Capricorns. They are represented by the Goat. Capricorn individuals are controlled, conscientious and practical. People born under this sign are self-disciplined and hard-working. They are highly efficient and dedicated to becoming a success.



It was with sadness we learned Joy Schell passed away Christmas Eve, December 24th/2024. Joy had only been at Hillview a short while but she left behind an impression. She was a spunky individual which endeared her to many. She was happiest when family and friends would come to visit. A facetime visit or phone call brightened her day. Joy loved cats so her room had an assortment of cat toys and treats for when Willa, our Manor cat would come to visit. We send condolences to Joy's family.



*It will be a blue Christmas without
you*



*Please take a few minutes to
remember and reflect on our friends
and neighbours who left us this year*

William (Bill) Allen
Audrey Barreth
Millie Culbertson
Ernest Fleck
Doreen Gibson
Pat Stubel
Joy Schell

It was Christmas Eve 1881. The young boy was upset because there was no money to get him the rifle he wanted. However he knew something was up when his father went out to hitch up the team to the wagon. When he came inside he said, "Get your hat and coat son, we have an errand to run." Outside they heaped a large load of firewood into the wagon. Then the boy's father went into the smokehouse and came out with a large ham, some bacon, a sack of flour and some other things. Once on the wagon they were on their way.

On the way the father told his son how he had gone by the widow's house and noticed they had no wood to burn in the woodpile. He also noticed the children had no shoes and their little feet were wrapped in gunny sacks.

Upon arriving at their home they unloaded the wood. Then knocked on the door. After identifying themselves she invited them inside. She was wrapped in a quilt and three small children were huddled in a blanket before a small fire.

"we brought you a few things ma'am" the father said putting the flour and all the meats on the table.

Then the father produced a bag with shoes in it for the children and a pair for the missus.

Tears flowed down the cheeks of the widow. She tried to speak but words would not come from her trembling lips.



The father asked the son to go out and bring in some wood. The boy left the house with a lump in his throat and tears in his eyes. When he came back with the wood, he was a new person. He helped his father build a grand fire to warm the little house and watched as the children giggled while eating their candy.

On the ride home the son felt a warmth that came from within and he didn't even notice the cold.

His father told him that they had managed to scrape up the money to buy him that rifle. But when he was passing the widows house and saw one of the children scratching for wood-chips in the woodpile with his feet wrapped in gunnysacks, he knew what he had to do.

“Son, I spent the money on shoes and candy for the children. I hope you understand.”

I understood very well and was so glad daddy had done that. Now the rifle was low on my list of priorities. He had given me a lot more. For the rest of my life, whenever I saw one of the Jensen's, or split a block of wood it brought back memories. And remembering brought back that same joy I felt riding back home beside Daddy that night. He had given me much more than a rifle that night, he had given me the best Christmas of my life. He also was certain that not a better man lived on earth then his Pa.



As we do yearly, residents family members came and decorated their loved-ones door. On the 23rd the doors were judged by someone from outside the building. The winners were:;

*1st ...\$100....Waunie T
2nd\$50....Sylvester M
3rd\$25....May & Henry L
4th\$25.....Marianne H*

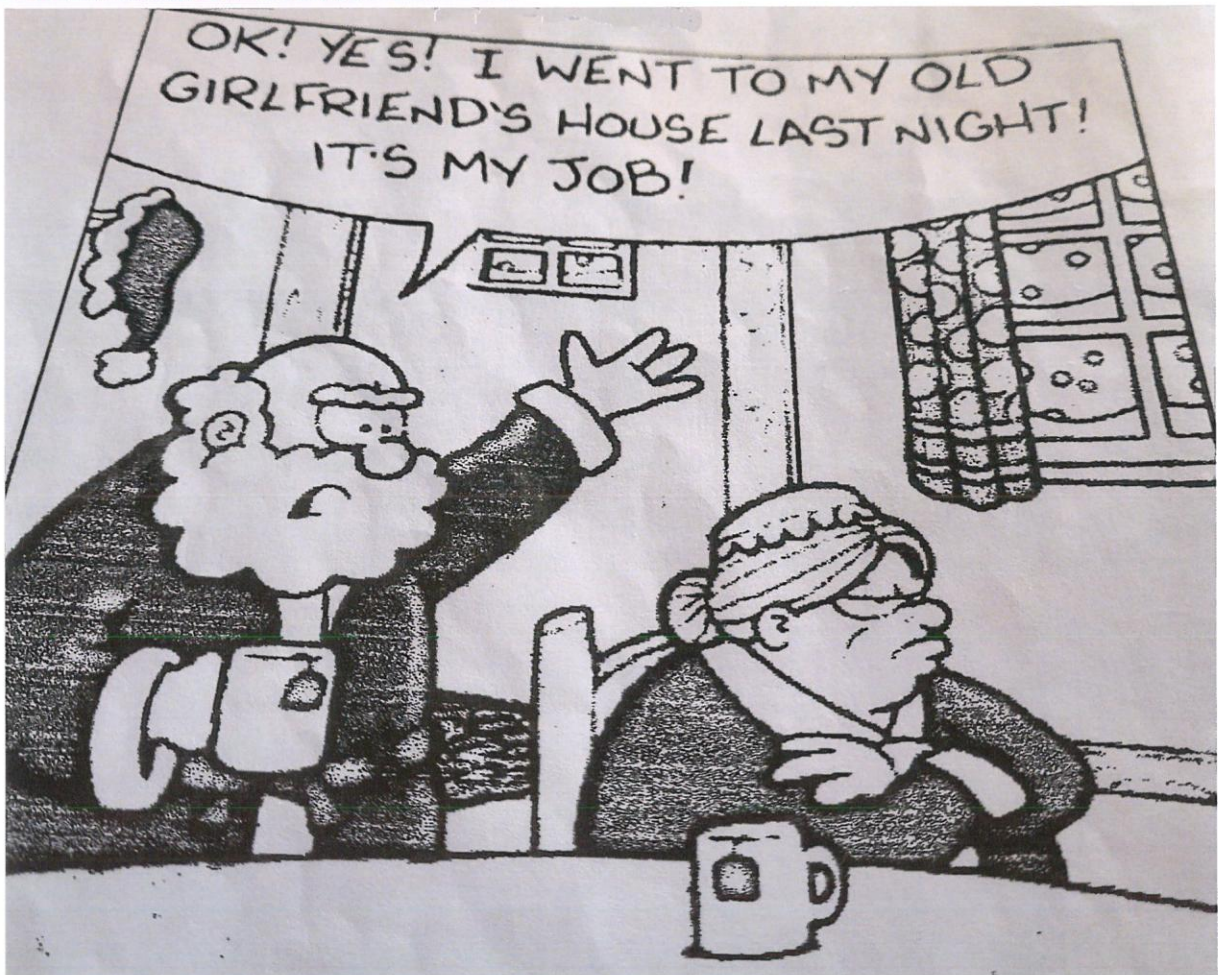


Honorable Mention was extended to Anne F and Joyce B

*Congratulations to our winners
Thank you to Wilma and Val for taking the time
to be our judges*







New Year's Eve

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Noisemakers

Balloons

Celebration

Fireworks

Resolutions

Parade

Music

Champagne

Party

Times Square

Reflection

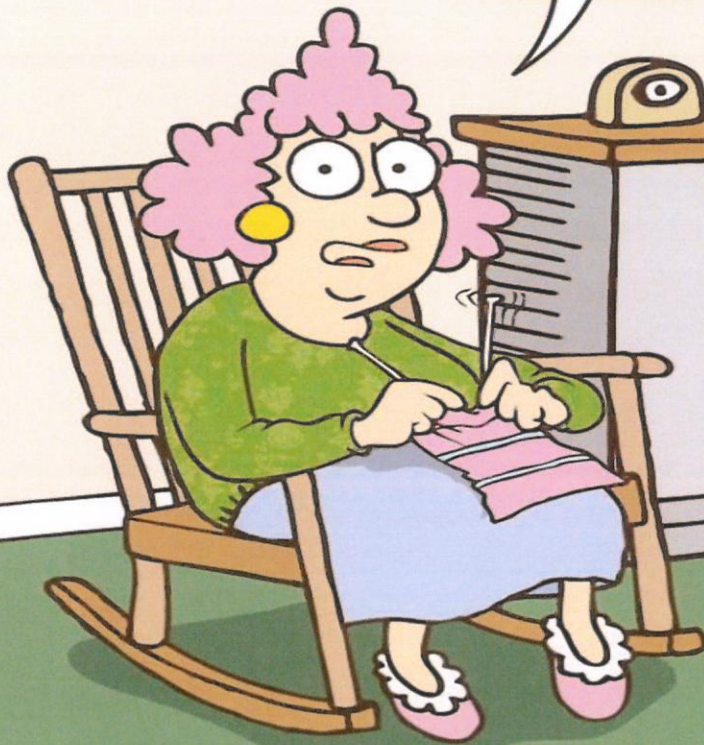
Appetizers

Confetti

Peach Drop

Tradition

I used to look at my grandparents and think, 'I'll never be that old.' Yet here I am, livin' the dream.



FROSTY GETS CAUGHT
PICKING HIS NOSE



**DID SOMEONE
SAY CHRISTMAS!?**



Paul Thievin

Paul Thievin was a farmer and a welder by trade, but at the age of 65 he hung up his hat and retired.

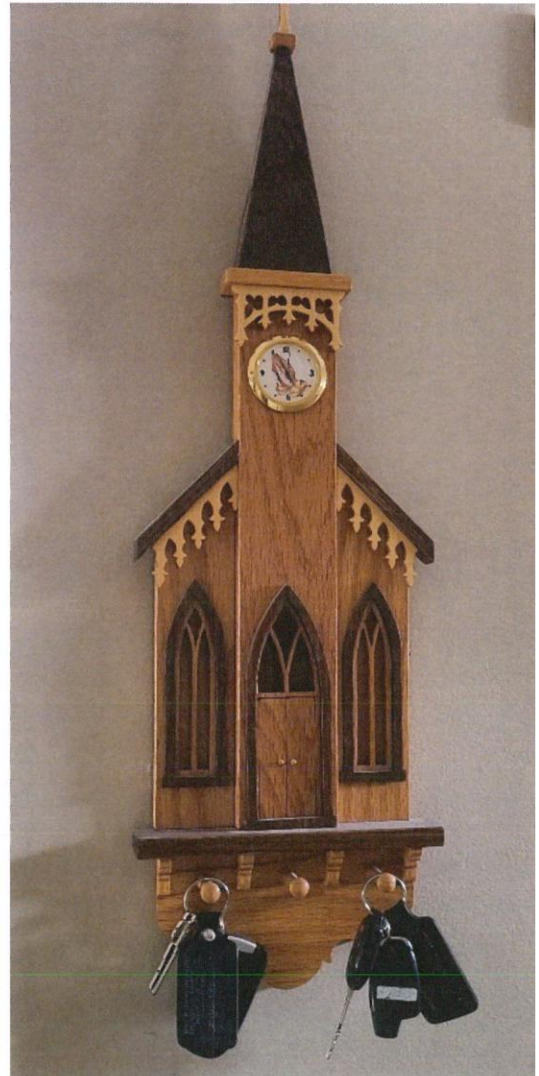
As Paul has never been an idle man, he needed a hobby to fill his new found free time. He turned his attention to woodworking. For the next 25 plus years Paul made hundreds of different projects, from tiny detailed Christmas tree ornaments to clocks, birdhouses, shot glass racks, wagons and more.

Paul rarely made just one of his creations unless it was something special for his wife of 68 years, Bertha. Often Paul would make as least 9 so that each of his 8 children also got one. Occassionally Paul made projects for his sisters or other relatives and friends.

With a creative eye, a steady hand and meticulous attention to detail Paul perfected his craft.

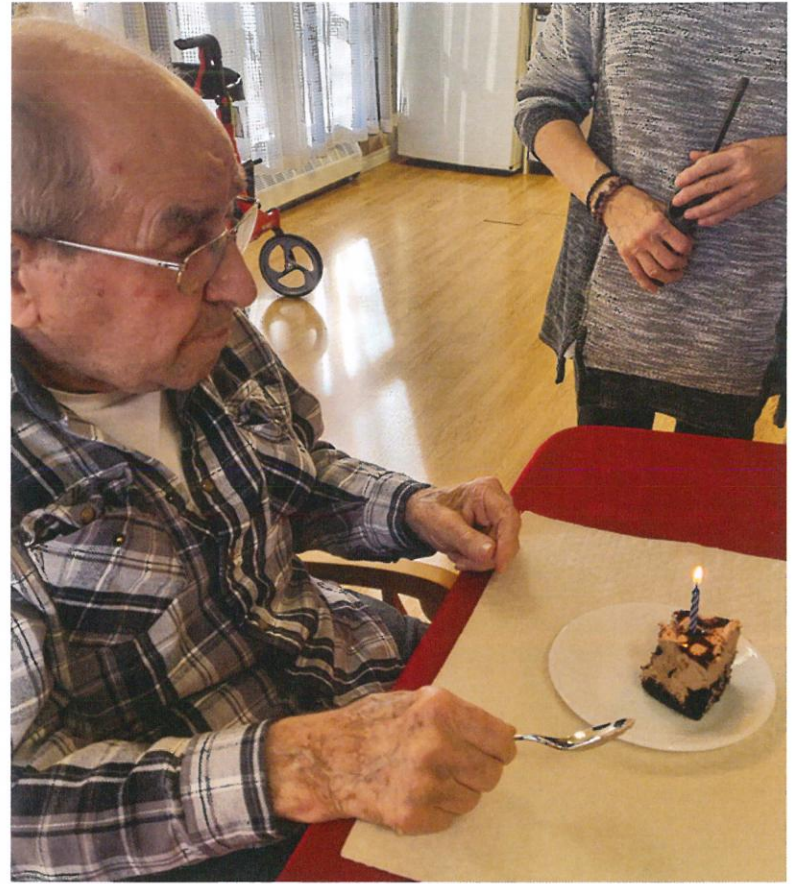
Over the years he has worked with a variety of techniques including intricate scroll working and Intarsia, which is the creation of a picture by fitting together various shapes, sizes and kinds of different wood.

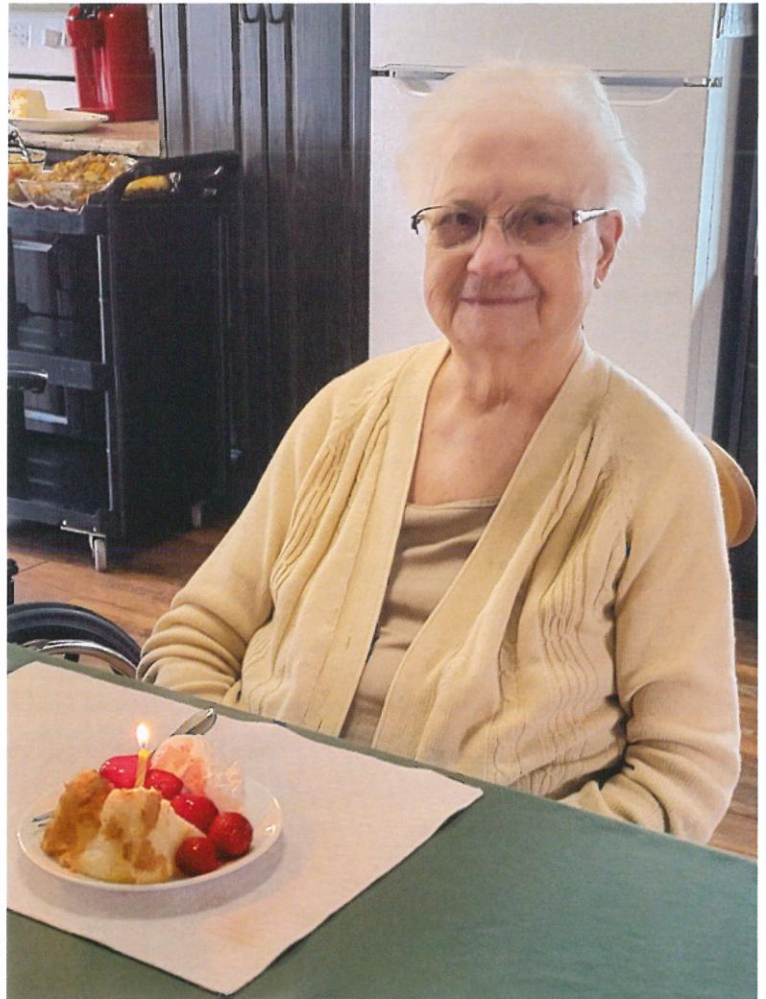
Paul has always loved woodworking. His many creations are treasured by all who have been lucky enough to receive them.











We now must say farewell to 2024



It is time to welcome 2025



					
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<p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Bean Bag Toss 1:45- Bingo 3:45- Skip Bo</p> <p>Bruce Bottomly 82</p>	<p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Bingo 2:00-Szackas Family 3:45- Skip Bo</p>	<p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Bean Bag Toss 1:45- Bingo 3:45- Skip Bo</p>	<p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Bean Bag Toss 1:45- Bingo 3:45- Skip Bo</p>	<p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Bean Bag Toss 1:45- Loonie Bingo 3:00- Wine & Cheese 4:00- Skip Bo</p>	<p>10:30- Resident Meeting 1:15-SR (H1&2) 2:00- Card Bingo 3:45-Snakes & Ladders</p>
<p>1</p> <p>No Activities</p> <p>HAPPY NEW YEAR'S DAY</p>	<p>8</p> <p>10:00- Catholic Mass 11:00-Take down remaining Decorations 2:00- Card Bingo 3:45-Snakes & Ladders (FR)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Card Bingo 1:15- Trinity Lutheran Communion 2:00-Caragana Ramblers 4:00- Devotions (FR)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Card Bingo 2:00-Indoor curling 3:45-Crossword (FR)</p>	<p>29</p> <p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Card Bingo 2:00-Ice Cream Social Monthly Birthdays 4:00- Devotions</p>	<p>2</p> <p>10:30- Resident Meeting 1:15-SR (H1&2) 2:00- Card Bingo 3:45-Snakes & Ladders</p>
<p>*Activities subject to change*</p> <p>(FR)-Family Room (H)- House</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Card Bingo 2:00-Take down Christmas decorations</p>	<p>14</p> <p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Card Bingo 2:00- Indoor Curling 3:00- Public Library Book Exchange 3:45-Snakes & Ladders (FR)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Card Bingo 2:00-Bean Bag Toss 3:45-Snakes & Ladders (FR)</p>	<p>28</p> <p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Card Bingo 2:00- Indoor Curling 3:45-Snakes & Ladders (FR)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00- Exercise 11:00- Bean Bag Toss 1:45- Bingo 3:45- Skip Bo</p>
<p>HAPPY NEW YEAR</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:30- Baking 11:00- Manicures 1:15-SR (H1&2) 2:00- Card Bingo 3:45- Skip Bo</p> <p>Paul Thievin 94</p>	<p>13</p> <p>10:00- Communion 11:00-One On One 1:30-4:30-Make Music with Friends</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10:00- Communion 10:30- Baking 11:00 Manicures 1:15-SR (H1&2) 2:00-Card Bingo 3:45- Skip Bo</p>	<p>27</p> <p>10:00- Communion 10:30-Monthly Bp Check 1:15-SR (H1&2) 2:00- Card Bingo 3:45- Skip Bo</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>January 2025</p>	<p>5</p> 	<p>12</p> 	<p>19</p> <p>Gospel Chapel 1:30</p>	<p>26</p> 	<p>3</p>