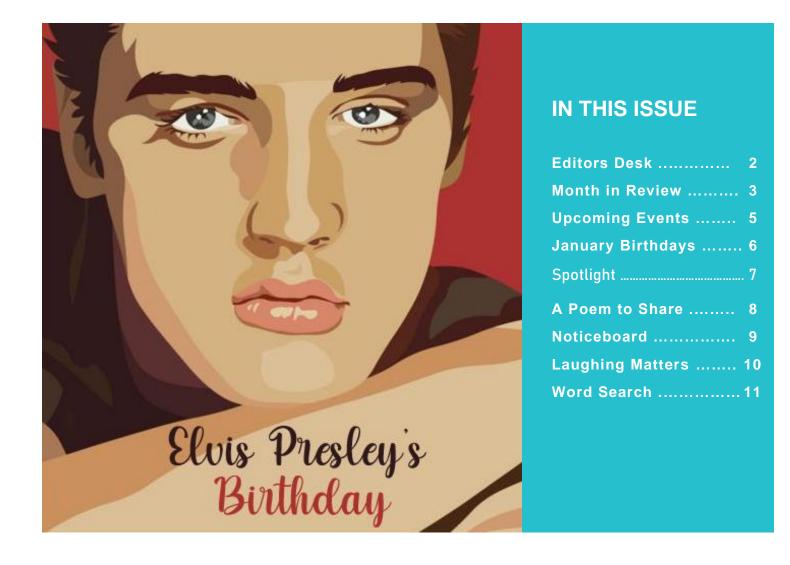
# **NEWSLETTER**January 2023

Golden Hills Lodge – 814 1<sup>st</sup> North – Three Hills, AB T0M 2A0 HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



# Editor's Desk

Hello Residents, Families and Friends!

Welcome to the new year, 2023!! December had us enjoying many different Christmas themed performances and activities. I would like to say thank you to all who made our Christmas Season so full of Love, Joy and festive cheer! We really did have a wonderful time!



A new year brings hope and I look forward to what the coming year holds for us all! We will be celebrating the birthday of the iconic superstar, Elvis Presley. There is a new competition we have developed with our Neighbors at Robertson Manor and we will be taking a trip around the world to China as they celebrate Chinese New Year! Those are only a few of the many activities we have planned for you all, so be sure to check your activities calendar daily and I look forward to seeing you all out!

Brianne Rothfus

#### **January Trivia**

January was named after the Roman god Janus; the god of beginnings & transitions.

Zodiac signs: Capricorn & Aquarius Birthstone: Garnet Flower: Carnations

#### **Quote of the Day**

You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old.

- George Burns

# Month in Review

#### 2022 Lodge Tree Lighting Party

We kicked off the Christmas Season with a great party Monday December 5<sup>th</sup>! It was great to have the community join us, young and old!

Thank you to the Prairie College Community Choir for leading us in some classic Christmas Carols.





Buddy The Elf had so much fun hiding around the Lodge for the Month of December! He had some excellent hiding spots!

- Behind the books in the puzzle room
- Inside a bathroom
- Behind Houseplants in the Game room

We look forward to him returning next year! Thanks Buddy!

We had so many wonderful Christmas Performances this month! Thank you to:

Pine Lake Singers Manor Gospel Quartet The Golden Oldies Dance Celebrations Prairie College Community Choir



# We had a very Merry Christmas!

Staff Christmas Program: Larry and Shirley dancing





Feliz Navidad!!!



Three Hills Dance Celebrations Xmas Program





Gingerbread Houses: An outhouse, fishing shack and present.



Armchair Travel to Ukraine.

# **Upcoming Events**

The Price is Right Game January 3rd @ 2pm in the auditorium.

Elvis Presley Birthday Party: Snacks, Music and Documentary Monday January 9<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm in the Auditorium

Robertson Manor vs. Golden Hills Lodge Monthly Event

Face off against our neighbors in Floor Hockey! Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm, Lodge Auditorium

**Resident's Meeting** Friday January 13 @ 2:00pm, Auditorium

Chinese New Year Celebration Day Monday January 23 – See the Calendar for Events throughout the day Chinese Food Buffet for Lunch, Chinese Paper Lanterns Craft, Chinese New Year Documentary.

Armchair Travel – To Hawaii Tuesday January 31 @ 2:00pm, Auditorium

### **Regular Events**

Exercises every morning @ 9:15 am in Auditorium

Walking Group every Tuesday @ 11am - Walk the

TransCanada Trail with us this year!

Ministerial Services every Sunday @ 4pm in Auditorium

Hairdresser Amanda: Once a week – See Schedule on Salon Door.

Men's Breakfast every second Monday at 8am in the Unit 5 Dining Room

Bingo! Every 4th Tuesday at 2pm in the Auditorium



#### Special Days

1 <sup>st</sup>	Hot Tea Day						
3 <sup>rd</sup>	J.R.R. Tolkien's						
Birthday							
6 <sup>th</sup>	Epiphany						
8 <sup>th</sup>	Elvis Presley's Birthday						
16 <sup>th</sup>	Martin Luther King Day						
19 <sup>th</sup>	International Flower						
Day							
21 <sup>st</sup>	International Hug Day						
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Chinese New Year						
25 <sup>th</sup>	Robert Burns Day						
26 <sup>th</sup>	Australia Day						
27 <sup>th</sup>	Mozart's Birthday						
28 <sup>th</sup>	Jackson Pollock's Bday						
29 <sup>th</sup>	Sundance Film Festival						

# **January Birthdays**

In January we will Celebrate

# Four Birthdays

Please join us in the Auditorium on January 25<sup>th</sup> at 2pm to celebrate!

Elvis Presley, Singer, 8<sup>th</sup> January 1935 Stephen Hawkins, Physicist, 8<sup>th</sup> January 1942 David Bowie, Singer, 8<sup>th</sup> January 1947 Martin Luther King Jr., Activist, 15<sup>th</sup> January 1929 Muhammad Ali, Boxer, 17<sup>th</sup> January 1942 Betty White, Actress, 17<sup>th</sup> January 1922 Michelle Obama, First Lady, 17<sup>th</sup> January 1964 Kevin Costner, Actor, 18<sup>th</sup> January 1955 Janis Joplin, Singer, 19<sup>th</sup> January 1943 Neil Diamond, Rock Singer, 24<sup>th</sup> January 1941



Capricorn (Dec 22 – Jan 19) Capricorns are responsible, disciplined and have good managers

Aquarius (Jan 20 – Feb 18) Aquarians are shy & quiet deep thinkers who love helping others.



#### There are more twins now than ever before.

In 1915, one in every 50 babies born was a twin – this has now increased to 1 in 30. Scientists believe this trend is due to the fact that older women tend to have more twins, and women are

# Spotlight

Joyce Johnson and Larry Burfield came to Golden Hills Lodge in September 2022. Welcome!

Joyce was born in Medicine Hat and moved to Kelowna, BC when she was 2 years old. There she stayed for most of her life until recently moving to Three Hills with Larry this fall 2022. Kelowna had become over developed and busy and they wished for a more quiet neighborhood. Joyce went to school in Rutland, a Subdivision of Kelowna from kindergarten to Grade 11. Following Grade 11 Joyce found a job working as a bookkeeper for a car dealership. She always loved bookkeeping and remained in that work throughout her life until she retired. Joyce has 2 sons, 3 grandkids, and 5 great grandkids, soon to be 6 this spring! One important lesson Joyce has learned: **"Not to cut my own hair!"** 



Joyce's fondest memory would be meeting Larry. They met online and then in person. Their first visit was supposed to be 15 min long, but instead lasted many hours going for walks. The rest was history!

Larry grew up on a farm near Munson, AB and remained in the area until he was 64 years old. He lived on three different farms throughout his life in the Munson area. He attended Munson School for grades 1-9 and then Morrin School for Grades 10-12. Larry's first few years of working life was in farming. After a short while and few hailstorm disasters he decided to pursue Truck Driving for the oil field. He drove truck for a while which then led him into working for Conoco Phillips Oil Company. He remained working for Conoco Philips for 25 years. Larry has 2 sons; both live in two of Larry's original farmhouses he grew up in around Munson and has 5 grandkids. His fondest memories come from his days driving truck for the oil field and his favorite hobbies include photography and collecting old tractors.

Larry's favorite memory is meeting Joyce and her green jacket she wore for their first meeting! The biggest lesson Larry has learnt would be: "**Never take tomorrow for granted!**"

Both Joyce and Larry have many great stories to share, so please come have a chat with them! WELCOME!

# **Poem to Share**

#### "Hope" is the thing with feathers

by Emily Dickinson

"Hope" is the thing with feathers – That perches in the soul – And sings the tune without the words – And never stops – at all –

And sweetest – in the Gale – is heard – And sore must be the storm – That could abash the little Bird That kept so many warm –

I've heard it in the chillest land – And on the strangest Sea – Yet – never – in Extremity, It asked a crumb – of me.

# Noticeboard



#### LIBRARY SERVICE

The Three Hills Library Service has been cancelled moving forward as we have had no interest in their services for the past few months. Please feel free to access our own Golden Hills Lodge Libraries located in the Bird Room and Puzzle room. We ask that when you are finished borrowing books from our library you return them to the boxes located at each library location in the building so others can enjoy them as well.

#### HAIRDRESSER

We have a new Hairdresser that comes once a week. Her name is Amanda and she has her schedule and list of services posted on the Lodge's Salon Door. There is a sign up sheet to book a time with her.

#### **CULTURAL CELEBRATION**

In the month of January we will be learning about the Chinese New Year (Sunday, January 22). Please look at the Calandar to see our Theme Day Activities on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### THANK YOU

We would like to issue a heartfelt thanks to relatives and volunteers who support us day in and day out. You make such a difference and we so very much appreciate your time and energy.

#### **CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE?**

Contributions to our newsletter are encouraged and appreciated!

Articles, photos, reports on community outings, staff news, trivia, poems and amusing stories relating to residents and staff are most welcome.

#### **OPEN BILLIARDS/POOL TIME**

Throughout the month we will be having an *Open* Billiards/Pool time where anyone can come and play Pool together in the game room. January's Times are:

January 13<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30pm

- January 19th @ 2:00pm
- January 27th @ 3:30 pm

# **Laughing Matters**

#### Somebody



This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did.

Somebody got angry about this, because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anbody could have done!

#### The minister

A minister, after listening to an impromptu campaign speech from a hopeful candidate for Mayor said.

"Before I vote for you, I'd like to know if you partake of intoxicating beverages."

Candidate: "Before I answer, tell me if it is an inquiry or an invitation."

#### The bus driver

A woman with a small child boards a bus and pays only her fare to the driver.

"That kid's older than five," says the driver. "You'll have to pay half fare for him."

"He is certainly not 5!" said the woman. "I've been married only four years."

"Madam," says the driver, "I take fares, not confessions."

Word Search

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