Dear Residents, Family Members and Friends,

This newsletter is being sent to all responsible parties listed as the primary contact for the Baldwin Care Center. Birch Haven Assisted Living is sending this newsletter to responsible parties. The Apartment Manager distributes copies to the Birchwood Apartment tenants. Responsible parties can direct their family members to the Baldwin Care Center website at <u>www.baldwincarecenter.com</u> to read current and previous newsletters. If there is a topic you would like discussed in this newsletter, please feel free to contact me via email at <u>elafavor@baldwincarecenter.com</u> or by phone at 715-684-3231, Ext. 103.

Since the last newsletter there have been no new cases of COVID-19 in Birchwood Apartments, Birch Haven Assisted Living or the Baldwin Care Center. We have not had any staff or resident cases in any of the settings. Our guidance still indicates that visitors need to be masking when they are on our campus. I know that things are very different in the community and no one is wearing a mask. Keep in mind that the residents on this campus are not like members of the community. Many residents here have multiple medical issues that make their immune systems compromised. This makes the possibility of them contracting COVID-19 or other contagious illnesses higher. They may also be more likely to become very ill if they do contract COVID-19. Please help us protect our residents by appropriately wearing a mask and social distancing while in the building.

During the recent Baldwin Windmill Days celebration we were very busy on the campus. The tenants of the Birchwood Apartments had a very successful Craft Sale on Friday, June 10th. The tenants had really enjoyed making a wide variety of items for the sale. They also participated on the day of the sale by selling cinnamon rolls and assisting customers who were purchasing items. The sale was a huge success! It was also a perfect weather day.

On Saturday, I had the privilege of taking the King and Queen from the Valentine Ball in the Windmill Days Parade. I was accompanied by King Harvey Moe and

First Princess Evelyn Rademaker. Paula Standaert, the reigning queen was unable to join us that day for the parade. Both Harvey and Evelyn had a great time in the parade. Angela Tellijohn, Therapeutic Recreation Director and Cheryl Berres, Activity

Assistant took residents from the Baldwin Care Center in the bus. Birch Haven Assisted Living also participated in the parade. Cathy Loftus, Dietary Manager and her husband Dan brought their 2008 Ford Mustang convertible for resident Velma Sobottka who represented Birch Haven, to ride in. Jessica Bark, Nurse Manager and Resident Assistants Korpo Borh and Jadyn Huftel distributed candy to the crowd along the parade route. When we went to line up for the parade, the skies looked a little dark and threatening, but just before the parade, the sun came out and it was beautiful! Everyone who participated had a great time. The residents were very impressed with the large numbers of people lining the streets of Baldwin.









On Friday, June 17th a Car Show was held in the front parking lot of the Baldwin Care Center to celebrate Father's Day. The tenants of Birchwood Apartments, Birch Haven Assisted Living and Baldwin Care Center all enjoyed looking at the cars and reminiscing about fond memories regarding their former vehicles.

We want to thank the following people who brought their vehicles for the car show:

Butch Wentlandt – 2018 Camaro John Kuhn – 1979 Corvette Gary Schillinger – Pontiac Tempest Sue Nawrocki – 1972 Dodge Challenger David Helgeson – Rat Rod Suzie Helgeson – Chevy Caprice Jack Vrieze – 1947 Ford Super Deluxe Kevin Rasmussen – 1971 Chevy Truck Sheila Mikla – 1969 Chevy Suburban Eileen LaFavor – 2007 Ford Mustang



As we are looking ahead to the upcoming 4th of July holiday, here are some little known facts about the holiday:

*Thomas Jefferson was the main author of the Declaration of Independence. *John Hancock was the first person to sign the Declaration of Independence.

*Independence Day should have been celebrated on July 2, 1776. Congress actually voted for independence from Great Britain on July 2, 1776 but the document was dated July 4th. It wasn't signed by everyone until August 2, 1776.

*Three presidents who signed the Declaration of Independence died on July 4th. John Adams and Thomas Jefferson both died on July 4th, 1826. James Monroe died five years later on July 4, 1831.

*The Liberty Bell rings 13 times every Independence Day to honor the original 13 states.

*The first 4th of July fireworks show took place in Philadelphia in 1777.

*The 4th of July didn't become a federal holiday until 1870.

*Americans eat around 150 million hot dogs each Independence Day.

However you are celebrating the 4th of July, please have a safe holiday weekend!

Eileen LaFavor, Administrator









Happy Birthday Roxanne! Thank you Mary Frey and Roxanne for visiting us every week and making us smile.