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# BETMAR COFFEE NEWS

## November 21, 2023

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MacDonald Videos Betmar Video Club



**GOOD MORNING BETMAR FRIENDS!!**

**TUESDAY AT COFFEE:**











## HAPPY THANKSGIVING BETMARIANS!!

So, Michelle and Mac are with family in Michigan this week! We know they are having an amazing time with their children and grandchildren, feasting together around this Thanksgiving Holiday.

I'm so grateful, thankful and exceedingly blessed that God put this lady in my life! She's a wonderful friend who lifts me up, cheers me on, and knows how to have a good time!!! She's full of faith and enjoys life to the fullest. And she loves all of you to the moon and back! We pray His greatest blessings overflow to both Michelle and Mac as they travel back and forth, we'll see them next week!



## VOLUNTEER SHOUT OUT!



She's so well known that even John Denver sang a song about her! Let's go girls! Y'all sing along! (we are blessed to have Janet Blair and her Dance Club ladies here this morning to celebrate this lady with us this morning to John Denver's "Country Roads" song!) thank you ladies!!!

I wanted a fresh look for our next year's Cooking Shows and this lovely lady sewed this beautiful apron specifically for me! This little sweetheart sews a lot! In fact!.....

She has made incredibly beautiful, (FABULOUS!) quilts! She (and her partner in crime), built memory quilts! WOW! They gathered enough clothes from her huge family in (where again?) **WEST VIRGINIA!** to make **29** memory quilts.

All the family members got a quilt! They were so dumbfounded by why she needed a shirt or pants or pajamas; any clothing, so quilts could be an amazing surprise!!!

She and her rocket man have one son together.

She and her hubby took care of her mother for fifteen years

She's been in hospitality for about fifteen years or probably more!

Played Bunco when it got started then went into cards/ still plays Pony.

Great worker at everything she does!

Helped in Bingo Kitchen several times several years ago

Plays darts and is pretty good!!!

Greeter at Coffee Hour!

Fantastic cook and bakes A LOT

She's the baby of nine siblings

She was her older sister's protector!

WHO IS THIS AMAZING WOMAN? Well, it's LILLIAN CAMPBELL OF COURSE! We love and appreciate you, Lillian!!!! Xoxoxoxo (thank you too, for my lovely apron! I can't wait to wear it for our Cooking Shows next year!!!) 😊

**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU** to our lovely Dance Club this morning, dancing to John Denver's Country Roads! In honor of Lillian Campbell.

Janet Blair; Joyce Smith; Pam Ward, and Pat Armendinger! Bless you ladies!! That was awesome!!!  
xoxoxo

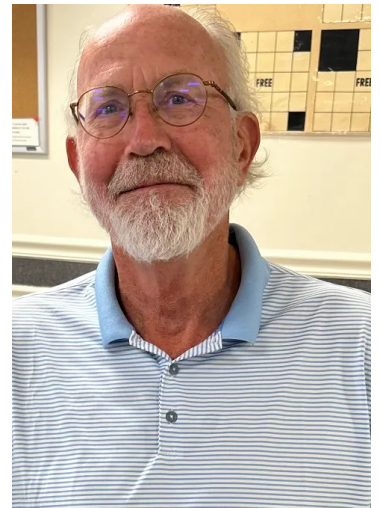
DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A VOLUNTEER SHOUT OUT?? CONTACT MICHELLE OR MELINDA. 😊

## NEW RESIDENTS





**New Resident-Kathy Brooks from Ohio**



**New Resident James Van Leir from Indiana**



**New Residents Rayma and Bob Kimball from Maine**

New resident-Denny Edgin from Indiana

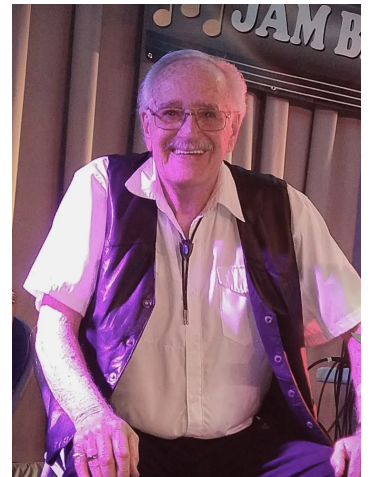


## FIRST BANDSTAND PERFORMANCE

The first Betmar Bandstand performance wowed the audience for two hours on Wednesday night with 50s and 60s music. The Jam Bandits band accompanied Jonny Ellis, Danny Lee and Harlan Stevens as they sang songs we all remembered as we were growing up. We look forward to other band performances on Wednesday nights after Thanksgiving. (Mary Ann Gifford)

Just a reminder **there is no Betmar Bandstand this Wednesday, the 22nd** due to Thanksgiving. Please remember to join us again on Wednesday, November 29 at 6:00 pm at CH 2 to hear The Jam Bandits.





## November 21, 2023-Breakfast Winner

Congratulations to Fancheon Muir; the "Winner of the November Breakfast drawing".



## FROM THE VIDEO CLOSET

Well our first week of Betmar YouTube Channel had some mile success.

We had 58 people subscribe to our YouTube channel....remember we need at least 1000. So if you are unsure how to do this, please contact the Betmar Technology Club for assistance.

We logged 3.5 hours of watch time, and 345 views of the two videos we posted last week, and we have a new video posted this week. Last week was two videos of parts of the Betmar Veterans Parade, and today we have the full parade. Check it out at the link below.

Contact the Betmar Video Club for video assistance of your club's next event.

**Below is this weeks Video....Please Click on "Subscribe" while you're watching it.**



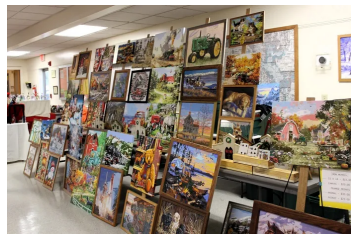
# NEW !! FULL VETERANS PARADE VIDEO....CLICK HERE

## BETMAR FALL CRAFT FAIR

Thank you to all who participated and helped out. Thanks so much to Connie for assisting me with all the little details, to the Bingo Bistro ladies who did a wonderful job in the kitchen and a special thanks to the Betmar Security workers who were there each day. Next one will be in April! (Judy Gearsbeck)







## ROCK PAINTING CLASS





## CREATIVE WRITER'S

You don't need to be a writer to join the fellowship of our group. You just need a desire to leave stories for your children and grandchildren; maybe write your own memoirs and special stories. Come and enjoy reminiscing and sharing with us.

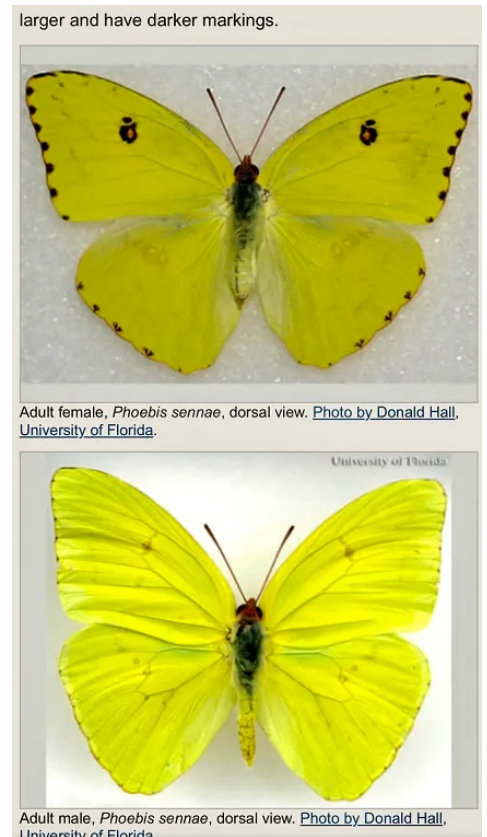
We welcome you to join us on Monday mornings at 9:00 am in the White Room of the Apache Club House. In December the Creative Writer's Group will meet in the White Room of Apache Club House on Monday December 11th and the 18th. Those will be our last gatherings this year. Jan 8th will be our first get together in 2024.

Facilitator: Conne McCormick PH: 724-584-7420



## BETMAR GARDEN CLUB

The Betmar Garden Club has a beautiful "Senna Shrub" otherwise known as a "Butterfly Bush". This shrub is located in Garden #21 in front of the Betmar Mini-Golf. This is the time of the year that the shrub is host to the Sulphur Caterpillars pictured here in the photo. And, these caterpillars later hatch again to become beautiful Sulphur Butterflies. Notice how the caterpillar blends in with the shrub blooms.



## TABLE AND CHAIR SET UP



Block assignments for Table & Chair volunteers are published in each month's Betmar Bulletin. Blocks are mapped out on page 28 of the phone book. The block assignment for the first half of November is Blocks M & N (Comanche & parts of Kay, Mohawk & Powhattan). A map with blocks shown is on page 28 of the phonebook.

Schedule for this period is as follows:

Fri 11/24     8 am   Christmas Sale in CH-2 (major)

Sat 11/25     3 pm   Dance (major)

Mon 11/27     8 am   Chorus w/risers & Bingo (major)

## Tennis/Pickle Ball Club

### Annual Christmas Homes Tour

Tennis/Pickle Ball Club is pleased to announce the Annual Christmas Homes Tour 2023. The tours will be Tuesday December 12, 6:30 pm to 8:30. Tickets will be available at Tuesday Coffee, Nov. 21, 28 and Dec. 5. Or call Pam at (207) 778-5152. Price is \$8.00 per ticket. Please join us for an evening of holiday cheer!

## AROUND BETMAR



Betmar has been heavily impacted by lack of rain this season.

In spite of having received, approximately nine inches of rain this past week, this area is very dry.





## BETMAR TRAVEL

Beginning immediately all travel checks are to be made to Betmar Travel not to any individual. This change has been possible as we are working under the Betmar name. Thank you.

Sandy

We will leave for the show "White Christmas" this Sunday, November 26 at 11:00 a.m. from the front of Clubhouse 2. Tickets will be distributed on the way to Hudson.

We still have space on second bus for January 13, Gaylord Palms trip. See Sandy or Bonnie. Make checks out to "Betmar Travel", not to an individual please.



## LIBRARY

Your treasure trove, the Betmar Community Library wishes all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving.



## CLUB and Misc. EMAILS

In effort to reduce the volume of Betmar emails, we will be instituting the following guidelines effective immediately:

Any requests for email distribution that can wait until after the next issue of the Coffee News.....WILL. When the Coffee News goes out on Tuesday, the next Club update or reminders will be in the format of "Friday Notes". This will require to to plan.....

Betmar Board Notices, Office Announcements, Death Notices, and anything that is of more urgent matter....such as "The Gold golf course is closed today", will still be allowed.

Bottom line, is the Coffee News is your notification platform, we are trying to encourage you to use it. There is a link at the top of this page to "Submit an article for the Next Coffee News"

## JAM CLUB

Membership Meeting will be December 4 at 9:00 AM in the Apache Club House White Room. We will be addressing new Rules and Regulations, so we're looking forward to YOUR INPUT.

Monday Night Jam will be next Monday at 6:00 PM. See you there. (Jim Powell)

## The Men's Friday Scramble

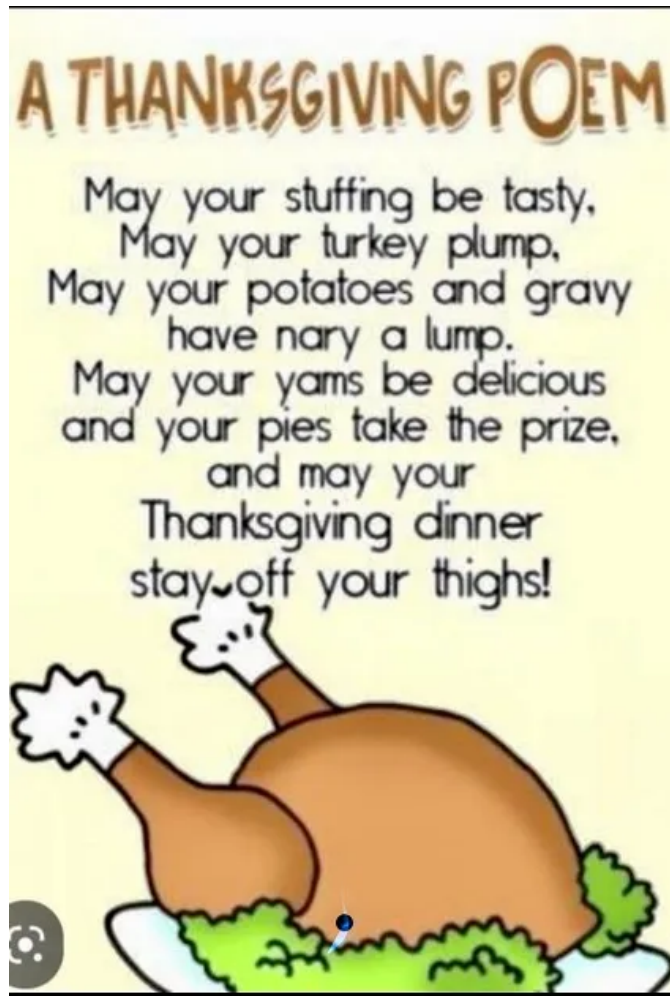


The Men's Friday Scramble is canceled for this coming Friday, November 24, 2023 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will resume our regular schedule the following Friday, December 1, 2023.  
—Jeff Warner

## **TOPS! Taking Off Pounds Sensibly**

Last week was a NO GAIN week!! Four members lost ten pounds each!! (Congratulations!!) Wednesdays 8:15 am in Apache Clubhouse. Today is a good day to start your weight loss journey.

TOPS (Take Pounds Off Sensibly) wishes our Betmar friends a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving.



## CREATIVE WRITERS

Creative Writers reminds you to be sure to write and share your Thanksgiving experiences.

Don't forget to turn your bathroom scales back 15 pounds Wednesday for Thanksgiving! 😊



## GOLF CLUB

Wow December is fast approaching and for some, the midpoint of the season for Betmar. Golf is trying to put on some exciting events and fundraisers during the winter season.

Golf Events for members:

1. M-TH & Sat – Quarter Boys, pay a quarter for 9 holes of draw card scramble.
2. Friday Men's Card Draw Scramble – pay \$1.00, card draw scramble (Guests are allowed for guest fee price as well)
3. Thursday's Ladies Golf – Scramble pay \$1.00 card draw scramble
4. Nickel Boys will be starting soon. Pay .05 cents per hole and skins style event
5. Friday and Saturday skins is available as well to play.
6. Couples League Starting in December

So there is always something available to socialize with the golf course no matter the skill level one possesses:



### Special Events for Members Include:

December 8<sup>th</sup> – Couples Golf Scramble Bi-Weekly Starting

December 14<sup>th</sup> – New Members Outing

December 20<sup>th</sup> – Golf Meetings – Time and Place TBD

December 21<sup>st</sup> – The Santa Scramble

December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Couples Golf Scramble

December 25<sup>th</sup> – Merry Christmas!!!!

December 27<sup>th</sup> – The infamous Night Golf

### Events/Raffles for All of Betmar:

December 2<sup>nd</sup> – Breakfast – Pancakes and Sausages

Quilt Fund raiser continues – 6 numbers for \$5.00 various people have sheets but Kelly Garret is the lead for questions.

Christmas Tree Raffle – where golf is partnered with other clubs in Betmar to provide Betmar prizes, Examples: Breakfast tickets, Golf Shop certificates, Pool Calendars, lanyards, cookbooks and much more. Drawing December 19<sup>th</sup> at Coffee Hour!

We are putting a Chili Cook off event together! Time and place will be announced.

Tickets will be going on sale in December for the next Uno Fun Run for January.

Proshop has great gift ideas for not just golfers but general Betmarian apparel and novelties as well or get a gift certificate (everyone loves the new things at the Betmar shop!)

### Volunteers needed:

\*Starters/Rangers

\*Pro shop workers

\*Tree Trimming workers

\*People to sell Tickets

\*Wall Repair / Painting and new Signage?

\*Clubhouse windowsills painting

\*Chili Cookers and workers

## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Shred Event!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024, from 9:00–11:00AM

Betmar Acres Office Parking Lot: No need to remove staples or paper clips.

Bring your documents in bags, boxes or any other container and it will be emptied into the shredding truck for you!

**FREE SERVICE TO ALL BETMAR RESIDENTS**

## THEATER:

Looking for the sound of Christmas? Come join us on Dec 6 at 1 pm for wonderful music by the Betmar chorus and tree lighting. No tickets needed. Cookies and punch afterwards! Ho! Ho! Ho!

If handicap reservations are needed, please contact Rita Wencil at 989-975-0587.

Please plan on joining us Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm for planning our Desert theater which comes at the end of January. New members welcomed! More information on that will be announced later. (Theresa Phiifer)

## HEALTHORAMA NEWS

Bringing health care to you!!!! Skin cancer prevention and treatment.

We are excited to announce that the Board approved this new service for our residents. A mobile Dermatology Clinic coming to us called OnSpot Dermatology. It is a full-service clinic offering exams, procedures and follow-up. Their website is: [onspotdermatology.com](https://onspotdermatology.com) .

Their first visit will be December 12th, 2023, 7:30-3pm and they will be parked where the bloodmobile usually parks. Onspot is in-network with major insurances and has competitive self-pay rates. Phone 941 444 0011 or visit [onspotdermatology.com/betmaracres](https://onspotdermatology.com/betmaracres) to book an appointment. Walk-ins may be possible. (Marsha Frain)



## COMPUTER CLUB

Today at 1:00 come to class and learn how to be able to access three different desktop screens on one computer on Windows 11.

At 2:00 bring your device to class and we will help you solve your problems. Just FYI; they started out with only 6 people in Computer club and came out with 35! Awesome!! Find a Club that's your forte' and get involved. So many fun Clubs here in Betmar! (Mary Ann Gifford)

## WHAT NOT BARN

The What Not Barn is sad to inform our fellow Betmar residents that we'll not be accepting furniture for a while. We are overflowing with so much that it is impossible to even see what we have to offer. If you can hold on to your donation until the Big Sale in January, we will do a pickup for that sale. Sorry about this, but we must do it. (Linda Bentz)

## WHAT SALES!!

## Christmas Sale is this week!

Set up is Friday 11/24 at 9 AM. Any late minute donations should be dropped off at Clubhouse 2 between 9 and 10 AM on Friday.

Sale is Saturday 11/25, 9 AM to 1 PM. We are loaded with decorations and holiday related items. Please come down and check out the bargains. **Reminder:** It's a great way to shop for golf cart decorations for the parade!

Refreshments will be on sale at the kitchen window and the What-Not Barn and Bike Shop will both be open during this sale.

## What-Not Sale: Jan 11-13th

The What-Not Barn is overflowing – should be a record setting sale.

The bin for collecting your newspapers and plastic bags is in the Annex. Please do not donate flyers and circulars and you could do us a huge favor if you could flatten the bags.

**Department Heads:** Please contact your volunteers ASAP and let Dee know where you stand for help.  
Thank you, (Tom Brown)

# BUNCO

Thursday night Bunco is also cancelled this week due to Thanksgiving. See you next week!!

# Mahjongg

The **Betmar Mahjongg Players** will be hosting our very first tournament on February 3rd, 2024.

Residents and their friends have the first opportunity to **enter by December 15th**, then the tournament will be opened to the public. It will be a fun filled day with 6 rounds (4 games per round) of competitive MahJongg, food, beverages, cash prizes, and door prizes. Registration forms available by email or contact Karen Emery at [krnemery@gmail.com](mailto:krnemery@gmail.com) or 989-3296450. You can also pick up a form on Monday or Friday at Apache Clubhouse Maple Room, 1:00-3:00pm. (Karen Emery)

# TRIVIA QUIZ

**You wanted the best; you got the best!**

Back by popular demand Trivia Quiz returns this Sunday, 26 November at 6.30. Up to 4 players per team can compete for bragging rights, in this fun filled evening hosted by your favorite Brit, Danny Jackson



## Hootenanny on New Year's Eve.

New Year's Eve is fast approaching, and once again time for the hootenanny at clubhouse three from 8 PM to 12 PM the tickets will go on sale for five dollars on December 1st. Carol Kelly will once again provide the music for dancing. Bring your own snacks and beverages. You may go to clubhouse three at 11 AM to set up your tables and decorate. **For tickets call Shirley Fisher at 788-7525 or Lynda Cutter at 317-750-4618 or buy them at coffee.**

## Let's Dress The Girls Quilt Raffle

starts today in the Annex for the beautiful hand-stitched hand-quilted 90" x 88" quilt. Tickets are \$3 each or 2 tickets for \$5. Sales will be at coffee hours and at the Shuffle Luncheon on December 11th and 12th. Drawing will be on December 15th. All proceeds go to purchase underwear for each dress' pocket, elastic, backpack cording, Velcro, thread, and other sewing supplies.

## Toys for Tots

It is Toys for Tots time of year. Once again, a Toys for Tots box is set up in the Betmar Office. Last year we had to call and have it emptied twice during the season. Let's beat that this year. Show Toys for Tots what Betmar residents are all about. Thank so much for your participation and caring,

## Thomas Promise Toy Drive

**Thomas Promise Toy Drive** Ends November 30th Please place all toys, games, sport items, hats, mittens, teen jewelry, wrapping paper, etc in the gray bins between CH#2 and Annex OR in the bin outside Connie's home at 36708 Jodi Ave. The Pickleball Club will be wrapping the gifts on December 1st!! The Christmas Dinner with Santa takes place on December 14th so let's help Santa!!

## BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS

Bountiful Blessings has delivered all the Thanksgiving Baskets to our residents. Everyone was so grateful. A thank you to all our volunteer delivery drivers for taking the time to help!

A heartfelt thank you to the residents that purchased, stored and/or picked up turkeys. We would not have been able to create such a wonderful Thanksgiving without you.

Unfortunately, we can no longer handle medical equipment. We need someone to take over the distribution of the items. We have asked for help with this aspect of assistance but since no one has

volunteered we are discontinuing the service. If you would like to take over the medical equipment storage/distribution, please contact either Sue or Cheri. We are no longer taking any equipment.

## BULLETIN ARTICLES

**Betmar Communications:** Bonnie Coutz would like to remind everyone, to please "Don't forget the deadline for the December Bulletin is due soon!" So please get your articles in ASAP.

## BETMAR CHRISTMAS DECORATING TEAMS!

Carol and Vic Sambol have generously volunteered to coordinate the teams that will be decorating buildings and other areas in the park this year. It's important that all areas are decorated by the day of the Christmas Concert (Dec 3rd). They are looking for volunteers to help decorate several areas.

In addition, they are desperately looking for input from anyone involved in the following areas, particularly knowing who this year's contact person is for these teams:

- Gazebo by the pool
- Kissing Bridge
- Sandy's Swing
- Memorial Walkway poles



- Betmar Library

If you can help with decorating or fill them in on the missing information, they can be reached at [dps11@yahoo.com](mailto:dps11@yahoo.com) or 978-500-5625. Your help would be greatly appreciated as this is their first year as coordinators and it's getting close to crunch time for them.

Vic & Carol Sambol, Decorating Coordinators

[Dps11@yahoo.com](mailto:Dps11@yahoo.com) or [cadillacgirl2468@yahoo.com](mailto:cadillacgirl2468@yahoo.com) 978-500-5625

**Speaking of DECORATING..... CLUBHOUSE 2 will be Decorated FOR CHRISTMAS:**

**Next week after Coffee Hour**, Please come and help! We want to decorate this beautiful room! We already have the decorations but could surely use YOUR help. If you can stay and assist, we can get it done quickly and have fun doing it together. These are fun times for our community! 😊

## BIRTHDAYS:

NONE

**To Submit a Birthday Announcement, Click [HERE](#)**

## ANNIVERSARY:

Todd & Georgia Fulton November 21<sup>st</sup> 8 Years!

Allan and Allice Poole November 23<sup>rd</sup> 10 Years!!

To Submit an Anniversary Announcement, Click [HERE](#)

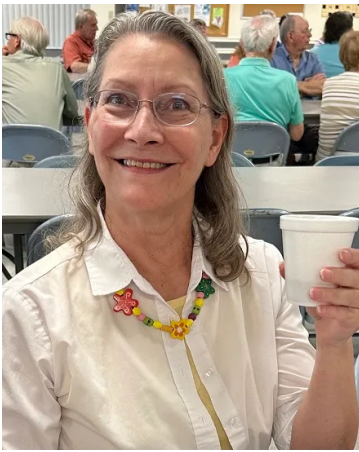
## SICK BAY:

Martha Wilson

Jackie Merchant

Mae Nemuth

## VISITORS/GUESTS:



Kathy McDevitt from Oregon-Visiting Cindy and Bob Cutter



Dee Dee and Dan Nash visiting the Wyman's from New Hampshire

## JOKE OF THE DAY:

A senior citizen drove his brand-new Mercedes to 100 mph, looking in his rearview mirror, he saw a police car behind him. He floored it to 140, then 150 then 170 suddenly he thought, "I am too old for this nonsense!" So, he pulled over to the side of the road and waited for the police car to catch up with him. The officer walked up to him, looked at his watch and said, "Sir, my shift ends in 10 minutes.... Today is Friday and I'm taking off for the weekend. If you can give me a good reason that I've never heard before for why you were speeding, I'll let you go." The man looked very seriously at the



policeman and replied, "Years ago, my wife ran off with a policeman..... Honestly officer..... I thought you were bringing her back!" The cop left saying, "Have a great day, Sir!"



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