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ENRICHING LIVES THROUGH QUALITY SERVICES AND CHRISTIAN CARE



A note from the Administrator- Jayna

The Divine Providence Auxiliary annual meeting was held in February with a luncheon served by the dietary department. The meeting is an occasion for the board to gather and thank those that have contributed to their success, celebrate their accomplishments, plan for the next year, and present Divine with a donation. This year they had a lot to celebrate due to a successful Bazaar held in November which allowed them to donate more than usual. Because of all the hard work by the many members of the auxiliary, the auxiliary board presented a check to Sr. Sharon for \$15,000 to purchase 3 more Sit to Stand Lifts.

The new lifts are already purchased and in use. With the addition of the new lifts, we now have 8 of these types of lifts which allows 2 lifts down each hall. The additional lifts better support the acuity and census of our current resident population. Plus, the lifts will be more readily available and save time by being more conveniently located.

During the meeting, our maintenance department was thanked for their efforts in setting up the mall area of the nursing home for the bazaar. Dietary was thanked for providing the delicious roast beef dinner. Myrtyce Remus and the quilting team were thanked for their sewing skills creating handmade items that generate significant revenue. Patty Haala was thanked for her donation of the quilt that is the 1st place prize on the raffle and then she revealed the new quilt for this year. Of course, it is just beautiful!

Along with the donation for the lifts from the auxiliary, we also received \$3600 for activities and entertainment. This will allow us to bring more outside entertainment into the home and the activity department to purchase extra supplies for individual and group activities. Additionally, the auxiliary continues to make the monthly payment so each resident can have cable TV for free in their room. This alone adds up to \$5880 a year. Without the support of the auxiliary, along with the individuals and businesses in our community, these extras would not be possible.

We are fortunate to have a dedicated auxiliary group to support our home. They contribute to our success, and we extend our heartfelt thanks to all their members. The Divine Providence Auxiliary has been supporting us since the beginning in 1960. They are a busy group making quilts, selling greeting cards, managing our gift shop, fundraising, baking, supporting our staff and Grandfriends, donating their time, and so much more.

AUXILIARY ANNUAL MEETING



Christine Hoffmann- Auxiliary President
presenting Sr. Sharon with the checks

Sneak peak! Patty Haala presented the quilt that will be the grand prize for this upcoming Bazaar in November.
Thank you for the beautiful quilt, Patty!



Quilting Group- Patty Haala, Sr. Sharon, Myrtyce
Remus, Lois Braun, Elaine Goldschmidt

Thank you

- Sleepy Eye FFA for warming our hearts with giant Valentines
- Helen DesMarais family for handmade Valentine cards
- Emelia Hammerschmidt family for donated items
- St. Mary's 1st and 5th Grades for Valentine artwork
- Miss Sleepy Eye Ambassadors and organization for your sparkling visit
- Puzzles donated by Danielle Weiss

Memorial Received In Memory of Veronica Johanneck:

- Kathy Manley

Daughters of St. Mary of Providence stopped by for a visit and Sr. Emily took them on the frozen lake. Walking on the ice was a first for some of them as they grew up in India and the Philippines.



Top picture

Front: Sr. Emily, Sr. Rogelyn,
Sr. Samala

Back: Sr. Roselyn,
Sr. Marites

Bottom Picture

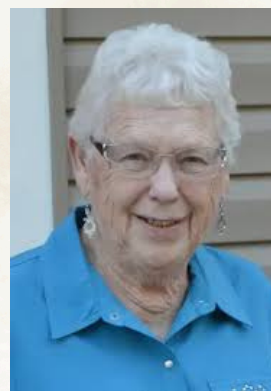
Front: Sr. Marites, Sr.
Samala, Sr. Roselyn
Standing: Sr. Emily, Sr. Ann,
Sr. Rogelyn, Sr. Savina, Sr.
Sharon, Sr. Nancy

*Divine Providence extends our heartfelt sympathies
to the family and friends of 3 residents*



Judy Farrell

A warrior who was faced with many battles in life, Judy was a strong fighter through it all and never lost her faith as a devout Catholic. Judy grew up and resided in Fairfax and was a member of St. Andrew's Catholic Church. She worked as a nursing assistant for the Fairfax Community Home and also was a home health care aid and PCA. Her hobbies included visiting with people, crafting, square dancing, country music, cooking, baking, and going to garage sales. Judy was well-known for thinking of others and always sending cards to people in her life for special occasions.



Marie Evers

Marie was born to a family of 12 children, and became a mother to six children with her husband of 65 years, Walter. They raised their family in Comfrey. Through the years, Marie babysat for several families, including her own grandchildren. Her hobbies included cooking, embroidery, reading, canning, playing cards and dominoes. She was a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church and the CCW. She took pride in being a wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, and she fulfilled each title perfectly.



George Schimmele

George grew up in southern MN and raised his two children in New Ulm with his wife Margaret. Early in life he worked a variety of jobs, but spent a 37-year career as Chief Environmental Services Director at Martin Luther College. Some of his favorite pastimes included going 'up-north' to the cabin, fishing on the lake, hunting in the woods, and four-wheeling. Even more important to him was attending his grandchildren's events, especially their sports games. He had a kind heart and unforgettable hugs, and he will be missed deeply by his family and friends.