



Connie and friends enjoying a little friendly competition



Noodle Balloon keeps us moving!

## ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER



Spring 2017 brought a lot of changes to Chateau Gardens including a new Senior

Healthcare Management program called Eldermark, a new payroll system, a new Maintenance Coordinator named Jeremy L. (June's grandson whom we are very grateful to have join our special team), a new yard care maintenance company called "Thompson's", new living room and activity furniture, and two new cooks! **Please help us welcome Patrick who is full time (coming to us with 17 years of amazing experience as Head Chef at a local independent living community) and Robert who also has many years of experience as a chef at local restaurants.** He is very passionate about cooking and

you can tell by his very creative and delicious dishes! Both of these guys are a huge asset to our Dining Services Team, bravely led by our own Rochelle "Rocki" Clement. Our next big projects include painting the building inside and out, new signage, and a larger TV for our living room. **Onward and upward, as they say!**

**With the warm weather quickly approaching, please remember to keep fresh water, sunscreen, and lip balm in your vehicle when traveling with your frail and vulnerable loved one.** We look forward to sharing our stories of fun summer adventures, and hearing yours as well! Happy Summer!

*Kim Frederick,*  
Administrator

## ROCK STAR OF THE MONTH

**Byron has been here for 8 years this coming July!** He has a very calming, almost-magical effect on our residents with dementia and has what we call "*The Knack*"! Byron has been with his wife, Tiki, for 7.5 years, and she is a wonderful volunteer here at our community, along with getting her Medical Assistant certificate. They share a common love for their furry baby, Sadie. Byron grew up in Gold Beach, Oregon but moved to this area about 11 years ago... and boy, are we sure glad he did! **Can't imagine CG without him!**

# RESIDENT OF THE MONTH: JUNE L.

**June L. is an Oregon native who has never strayed very far from home.** She was born in Cottage Grove where she spent most of her childhood. She later spent some time in a few surrounding areas like Smith River and London Springs (small country towns surrounding Cottage Grove) before settling down in Dexter.

June was born in 1930 to Lester, a hard-working logger, and Ruby, a craftswoman who sold merchandise at the local Piccadilly. She had one younger sister named Julie. June and Julie helped their parents pay for their school clothes by working

in the fields picking beans with their mother in Jasper. June liked going to school and graduated from Lowell High School in 1948. June attended a cake decorating class and is an award-winning cake decorator.

June grew up attending Lowell Open Bible Church where she would eventually meet her future husband, Melvin. Melvin was the brother-in-law of the church's pastor. After moving to Oregon to start work at the mill, Melvin met June at church. One of the first times June and her future husband spent time together was going on a 26 mile bike ride with the church's youth group they were part of. When June turned eighteen, the couple were wed. The two had five children together - Marvin, Lynn, Leslie, Lauren and Vickie. Just as June's mother took her and her sister to do, June brought her five children to local farms for bean, strawberry, and hop picking to earn extra money. She described the ordeal as quite an event as her youngest was only 9 months old and her eldest was seven and was difficult to keep track of in the open fields. June was a very familiar face in the small community of Dexter since she worked as a waitress at the Dexter Lake Club for about 25 years.

**June has always kept very busy. When she wasn't busy working or raising kids, she was contributing to her community.** She has spent many, many hours throughout her life volunteering and helping others. She donated her time



June, enjoying her family including our new Maintenance Coordinator, her grandson Jeremy.

working with children at her church, volunteering at senior communities, and helping out with the local Boy Scout troop. She also worked on a project that sent care packages to missionaries working in African and South American countries. Aside from June's very favorite hobby of helping other people, she also enjoys playing the guitar, dancing, animals and gardening. Even though she's a bit shy, she can't help but get up and dance when she hears the classic country songs that she loves! This delightfully positive woman lives by her own philosophy, "make the best of what you can get and enjoy it!" We all feel very lucky to have June as part of our community for so many reasons but especially because of her compelling commitment to community and the sunshine she seems to radiate towards those around her. **If you get the opportunity to visit with her, take it! You won't be sorry.**



*Happy Birthday!*

**RESIDENTS & STAFF**

Kendall "Doc" H. June 17

**WELCOME  
NEW RESIDENTS!**

A warm "Welcome Home!" to our newest residents to join the Chateau family, Donna and Ardyth. So nice getting to know you both!



*Welcome Home,  
Donna!  
Keep spreading  
your cheer!*

# LIFE ENRICHMENT MONTHLY NEWS

**April showers certainly brought us May flowers this year!** The residents have been helping to plan which flowers will be planted in our walkway beds this year. We decided to mix a few perennials in with our showy, bright annuals.

**Our month of May was marked with memories of Mother's Day and Memorial Day.** We kept our mother's here at Chateau Gardens happy and fabulously fancy with some delicious bites and fun jewelry we offered at our Mother's Day Tea celebration. The avocado, cucumber and mint salad was a hit and was paired with bite-sized quiche and strawberry shortcake! For those who were not in the mood for a hot beverage, we offered faux-mosas (non-alcoholic mimosas). After we ate, the ladies picked through jewelry displays at a boutique table that was set up for the event and then snapped some photos with friends and family using the giant flower "mom" letters the residents made. Thank you to all of the sons, daughters, grandchildren and other family/friends who came to honor their Matriarchs..... and to Kym L. and Dan for coming to help make the afternoon

lovely and special for our residents. **We had some fun at our Memorial Day BBQ with friends and family as well.** After the delicious meal, our residents gathered together to make patriotic gravesite decorations in honor of some of our country's servicemen and took a trip to deliver them.

**Little Hands Can came in for their second visit last month.** The resident's faces lit up every time the children said or did anything cute, which obviously happened a lot! The afternoon was all about birds. After reading a story about a bird, this wonderful local non-profit brought in supplies for our residents to make bird feeders with Eugene and Springfield's youngest community volunteers. It seems these kids value the power of being a part of a community as much as we do here at Chateau!

**Our residents were invited to watch a Rose Children's Theater performance at Wildish Theater last month.** It was our first trip to see one of their performances and boy did our residents love it! The show was "Guys and Dolls" which was a great timeline throwback for our residents as the show

was set in the 20's. The character's featured were gangsters and gamblers from New York's underground scene. One of our favorite characters, Big Julie, was a hard-core criminal and gambler played by a very sweet and innocent looking tiny blonde 6 year old girl! Oh the irony! It was one of our most successful and favored outings! This group of kids is seriously talented. Put their young ages aside, these talented people can entertain! We were all very impressed and some of our residents talked about what a great time they had days later! Their next performances won't be until October and November and will be "School House Rock" and "The Lion King." You bet we will be purchasing tickets for both shows!

**Next month we recognize the fathers we all love living at our community.**

The residents decided on celebrating with pizza, beer (non-alcoholic) or root beer, a country music performance and a few rounds of poker. We will also be reminiscing the 60s era with a groovy Sixties Summer Celebration with an all Beatles music performance and a day full of peace love and tie-dye! Sounds like a gas! Our outings this month include a Dancing With Sea Lions tour up the coast. Local artists have worked together to display 20 beautifully hand painted sea lion sculptures that have been placed along our coastline in Florence and surrounding areas. Of course each piece is unique and has its own story which we will get to learn on our tour! We will also be out picnicking, going to the Portland Zoo and attending the Black Sheep Gathering on the 24th! As always, family members are welcome to join us on one of our many adventures. **Life is good at Chateau Gardens...**



June and her granddaughter enjoying our jewelry boutique.



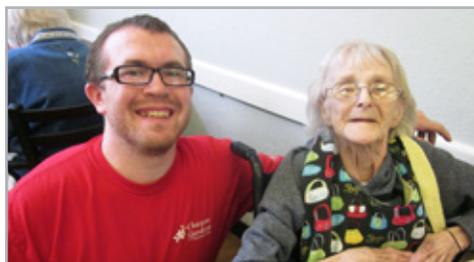
Patsy enjoying Mother's Day with her fun-loving posse.



Vera enjoys a temporary career!



Silly fun at one of our local museums.



Welcome Josh, our new Med Aide.



Pat and Kayla enjoying socializing.



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