

# The Prospector

#### Sitka Pioneers' Home

Scuttlebutt:

December 2021

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#### Resident Birthdays Bernice Stedman 12-6

Lydia Emmens 🌄 12-6

Gerald McCutcheon 12-8

12-12 Emma Kohler

Curtis Ledford 12-14

John Sandor 12-22

Jessie Carlson 12-28

Flmo Mills 12-31

#### Staff Birthdays

Salote Lavulo 12-3

12-9 Edna Nicolo

Marievic Ramil 12-10

Susie Allensworth 12-18

12-25 Saori Handy

12-26 Kim Edenso

Mona Allen 12-31



Staff Updates:

Milagrose 'Mila' Sarmiento has joined us as an on-call ALA in the nursing dept. Please welcome her!

#### New Residents:

Evelyn Hatmaker joined Ocean View neighborhood. We welcome her to the Sitka Pioneers' Home family!



Resident Meeting Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2021 @ 1:00pm (Main Lounge)

**Attending:** In addition to the residents, Hedy H, Assistant Administrator, Dayna A, Administrator, Greg O, NANA Manager, and Skye W, RTI.

#### **Food Forum:**

Food/supply orders are sometimes being received late or items are not available. Understanding and patience in regard to this is appreciated. Cooking demo plan pending.

#### **Old Business:**

Oct. meeting minutes read.

Still looking for a light up bingo board.

GCI transition plan is still in the works.

#### **Agenda Items:**

New residents and staff introduced.

Missing remote at main lounge. Please keep a look out.

#### **New Business:**

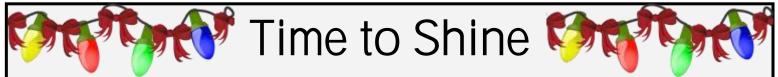
Inquiry regarding thanksgiving dinner guests. No in-house meal guests at this time.

#### **Administrator's update:**

The SPH COVID outbreak is over. Kudos to staff, especially those behind the scenes that put in hard work toward these challenging situations. Visitation is now more open. Please see the guidelines for more information. A copy can be requested from Skye at her email skye.workman@alaska.gov or by phone at 907-747-2103. Guest room remains closed.

Respectfully submitted, Skye Workman, Recreation Therapist I





#### Neighborhood Decoration & Holiday Spirit Contest

Each neighborhood is encouraged to participate in a Christmas decoration contest. Each neighborhood team, including elders and staff, is encouraged to put on the best showing of decorations and show the most spirit during this holiday season.

Some decorations have been provided by the Home, but if there is a need, please let Skye know so we can help you out.

There will be a pizza party for the neighborhood with the favorite decorations and most holiday spirit!

The 'Time to Shine' is Monday, December 20th at 10:00am.



## Thank you!!

Trish Wengenroth set up a Thankful Tree near the Barracks Street entrance with an invitation to share what we are thankful for. The added leaves filled the branches and the wall with wonderful words of gratitude. We are thankful for Trish's Thankful Tree and other lovely seasonal additions around the Home.

Thank you to the Pie Walk pie donors! We had a lovely time working our way around the table full of donated pies hoping for our number to be called to win a pie! Thank you to all!

#### Please see our calendar for DECEMBER events.

Modifications may need to be made to remain in line with current COVID precautions. Thank you for your understanding and patience!











#### **BOWLING!!**

Bowling looked different this month, but we all agreed that the hallway made for a fun and exciting lane!













## Journey/Moments

## **Elder Spotlights—**

This November a variety of Alaska Native and Native American items and art were displayed in our main display case. We were honored to include items from **some of our** elders.

At the end of the month, these elders shared about the items they had displayed. What a treat to hear them present each piece. Thank you!

Alice Walker-Dundas Mary Miller Linda Allard



Alice with her treasured beaded items. Some beads and designs were Alaskan and some were not.

Linda (above) showed and spoke about her bear bread art.

Mary (left) sang while keeping time on one of two of the two drums she had offered for our display.

## Pie Walk! Our slogan should have been 'Will walk for pie!'





























## Holiday Festivities Schedule

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#### Thursday, Dec. 2 @ 11:00am

Door Knocker Party
with food, friends, and Christmas Music.
And, don't forget to pick an ornament for your door!

### Wednesday, Dec. 8 @ 10:00am

Paulla's Gifts

Come by and check out Paulla's Gifts. See something for you? Maybe something for a friend? There's a little something for everyone!

#### Friday, Dec. 10 @ 10:00am-3:00pm

SPH Christmas Bazaar

A fundraiser for the Resident Council, homemade crafts, baked goods and assorted items will be available.

## Monday, Dec. 20 @ 10:00am (each neighborhood)

Time to Shine!

Neighborhood Decoration & Holiday Spirit Contest

#### Thursday, Dec. 23 @ 1:30pm

Christmas Party

Announcements, visit from Santa, refreshments and music!

#### Thursday, Dec. 30 @11:30am

New Years Eve Chili Cookoff
A chili potluck to combat this chilly weather.

#### Thursday, Dec. 30 @1:30pm

New Years Eve Party
Count down to the New Year with us.

Light refreshments to be served.

\*\*NOTE: Events listed are in the Main Lounge unless otherwise noted.\*\*