

## **EASTERN STAR HOME AND STAR COURT SUITE NEWS**

Our afternoon tea party last Wednesday was themed around "A Cup of Christmas Tea". The guest arrived to tables decorated with Christmas china tea cups donated by Desamore Dangel and Eileen Gabler and a hat for each to wear. We started with their choice of tea, a Christmas cookie and fudge served by Mary Buchholz, Ellen Kay Haigh, Carol Carlson and Lisa Haigh. While enjoying their treats the background of "A Cup of Christmas Tea" book was shared, followed by a recording of the story. The story goes to tell of a nephew that had prolonged a visit to his elderly Aunts house. But once he went the feelings and memories for both of them came alive for a touching afternoon.

Music is a favorite of our residents so when Jessica DeYoung and Carol Esser came with violin and piano Christmas music Friday afternoon the dining room was full. They were amazed Jessica had started playing the violin at age 3. Her years of playing definitely shows, thank you Jessica and Carol.

The combination of children, piano music, and dilly bars made for a Saturday afternoon of happiness. Carol Lund's piano students held their piano recital in our nursing home dining room and Carol Bebo shared dilly bars with all attending for her birthday treat. Marvine Roeber's family delivered breakfast rolls from Leo's for her birthday treat Friday morning.

For our Saturday Movie Night we showed "The White Christmas". The Sunday Worship Service was lead by Pastor Lorah Houser Jankord. We started out the week Monday with Card Bingo with Marsha Hofer while the Activity Director heads to Pierre to enjoy the Christmas Tree Display to get fun ideas for next year. The Memorial Service of Beverlee Corkins was held Tuesday at 10:30 am in the Eastern Star Home Chapel followed by lunch in the Masonic Building.

Jill Alkire and the Dunn Family shared a family tradition they have done for years by making lefse for our afternoon activity. It was such a

memory starter for many as we enjoyed sampling the finished treat. Join us today for Eunice Rude's Birthday Party at 3:00 pm. The Frankfort Trio will join us Thursday afternoon with festive toe tapping music.

December 21st is a special day for us at the Eastern Star Home for we will be attending the wedding of our Assisted Living staff member Julie Steffen as she marries Mark Rivera in our Chapel at 2:30 pm followed by a reception in the dining room. That evening the Hitchcock United Methodist Sunday School will bring there Christmas Eve Program dress rehearsal and candle light service to us at 7pm in the Chapel for everyone to enjoy.

We will have a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus on Christmas Eve for our Christmas Party at 2:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to join us for Christmas goodies and fellowship. Follow our facebook page for updates of activities and lots of pictures.

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