



Blackpool Tower Ballroom Visit

In July we all boarded a bus for a visit to the Blackpool Tower Ballroom.

Once there we enjoyed afternoon tea with jam and cream scones, sandwiches and wonderful pots of tea whilst watching the dancing. Marjorie Cort was on the floor like a shot and even asked a few chaps around the ballroom to dance. A little later her husband Arthur arrived and they had a lovely dance



Phyllis, Edith, Alice & Sheila enjoy a cream tea



Mandy & Marge

together. Edith and her daughter Margaret enjoyed dancing too as did Eric Kay who joined us for a lovely day out just before becoming a resident.

Everyone had a great time and Jean Rogers (Margaret Bradon's daughter) floated around the dance floor with her partner so gracefully— it was wonderful to watch.

Whilst there we witnessed the filming of an episode of "Surprise Surprise" with Aled Jones hosting. This will be aired on ITV in the autumn so keep a look out for us! They were surprising a gentleman who had always wanted to play the Wurlitzer in the ballroom and although he was very good, after about 14 renditions of "I do like to be beside the seaside" we were all ready for a different song!



Surprise, Surprise!!

Summer Fair/National Care Home Open Day



We had a very successful Summer Fair

This year we held our first "National Care Home Open Day" and Summer Fair on the same day. We had lots of fun with musical entertainment from Peter the piano accordionist in the morning and entertainment from the animals of Wellybobs in the afternoon. All afternoon there were stalls with arts and crafts, homemade items, bric-a-brac, cakes, tombola, raffle, spot the ball and name the teddy. We raised over £100 for the Resident's Fund and would like to thank everyone for their help and support.



Colum laughs at Wellybobs

Superstars



Top left to bottom right - Marge, Barbara, Brenda, Alice & Sheila take some exercise

Following the retirement of Patricia from "Music for Health" we felt we needed something to replace this so we happily invited "Superstars" into our home. The chaps from Superstars provide fun filled exercise to music as well as co-ordination exercises and tasks whilst, it has to be said, being very easy on the eye. A few of our ladies have taken a shine to these boys, who will continue to attend regularly to help keep us all fit!

Day Care

To provide an additional service to the community we have recently added a new Day Care facility at Springfield Cottage. Care services and activities can be tailored to meet any requirements so please call Lindsey on 01254 264704 for more information.

Respite Care

As community care needs change we are seeing an increased need for respite care, especially during the holiday seasons. We are keen to promote the provision of respite care and have a room dedicated for this purpose so please don't hesitate to contact Lindsey, our Care Home Manager, on 01254 264704.

Feedback

If you have any suggestions for improvements to the Home or the service we provide, do let us know. Please feel free to send Lindsey any articles, memoirs or photos for inclusion in future newsletters.

At Your Request



During a recent staff meeting we were asked if it was possible to change to free range eggs. We are now pleased to advise that with effect from Monday 9th September all our eggs will be provided from free range chickens.

Thank you for the suggestion and we hope you enjoy our tasty new eggs.

Sing-along-with Margaret

Our August visit from Margaret McCrae was again very well received with everyone joining in with the fun.



Top —Marge & Margaret
Top right—Harold
Bottom - Sheila
Enjoying an afternoon of fun and singing

Regular Activities

Monday

**One to one sessions,
shopping, movie night**

Tuesday

**Board games, card games,
afternoon tea**

Wednesday

**Arts & Crafts, Hairdresser,
Music**

Thursday

**Pampering, Chair Exercises,
Radio**

Friday

**Walking, Dominoes,
Television**

Saturday

**Board Games, Reminiscence,
Word Games**

Sunday

Family Gatherings, Relaxing

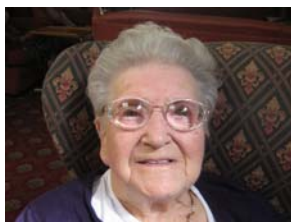
Lynsey Hindle



Lynsey joined our team in October last year and since then has begun her QCF level 3 in Health & Social Care. She has shown she is willing to wear many hats; covering cooking, cleaning and care—obviously not all at the same time! Lynsey loves cooking so much that she has decided to take on the cooking for one day a week regularly and needless to say the residents are happy with this as she does produce some "cracking scran".

Lynsey has many years of experience in care and quickly developed good relationships with the residents and staff.

Margaret Taylor



Margaret has lived at Springfield Cottage since 2008. She is a very friendly lady who likes to laugh with the staff and enjoys seeing people being "daft". Margaret loves to observe people and particularly likes watching people sing and dance and will join in with a sing song—especially if it is Max Bygraves, Bing Crosby or Tom Jones!

Margaret grew up in Blackburn and was married to Jack. They had one son, Graham, who now lives in York and regularly makes the trip to see his mum with his wife, Jackie. Margaret is lovely to everyone she meets and her face lights up when children visit the home. She has a strong old fashioned Lancashire accent and often makes us laugh using words like "yis" and "turrible" - she has a lovely sense of humour.

Extra Services

Miscellaneous costs

Chiropody—£20.00 initial session then £10.00 thereafter

Hairdressing costs

Shampoo & Set—£7.00

Cut, Shampoo & Set—£10.00

Shampoo & Blow Dry—£7.00

Dry Cut —£7.00

Permanent Wave—£32.00

Our hairdresser visits on Wednesdays with other days by request

A full list of prices can be found on the notice board

Upcoming Events

Thursday, 26th September

Oswaltwistle Mills Trip

Friday, 25th October

“Wear it Pink” Day

(in aid of the breast cancer campaign)

Thursday, 31st October

Halloween Party

Tuesday, 5th November

Bonfire Night Party

Friday, 8th November

Sing-a-long with Margaret McCrae

Thursday, 12th December

Pauline May Clothes Party

Monday, 23rd December

Christmas Party

Please keep an eye on the notice board for any additional events!

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