# The Woodcrest Villager

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### It's Summertime!

"SPRING BEING A TOUGH ACT TO FOLLOW, GOD

CREATED JUNE"

-AL

**BERNSTEIN** 

"TRUE
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-LEO TOLSTOY It's June and we are so ready for everything that means!

The Summer Solstice is coming and it's bringing lots of change! We've already begun to enjoy some of these shifts. Like the fact that just last month, State guidelines evolved again to permit residents to cast off their masks and breathe a sigh of relief. A spontaneous trip to the creamery on a warm, sunny day, was the first of it's kind in fifteen months. Back in

February, we celebrated our release from quarantine by planting seeds. Now, after months of being carefully tended in resident window sills, those marigolds, zinnias and morning glories are comfortably planted in our patio gardens. In June they'll be joined by the herbs, tomatoes, greens and cucumbers we usually raise. In fact, there is a lot

more gardening in our near future. Last year's arrival of COVID-19

halted plans, still in development, for a new garden space beside the back deck. Well that planning has resumed! Though still in it's "drawing board" stage, we can start to visualize a gracious outdoor space with elements to delight all of the senses. June 21st summer officially begins, and with gardens, BBQs, picnics and outings all planned, it finally feels like it!



We are starting with a full schedule of special events! Don't forget to sign up for outings!

#### Save the Date

6/2-Help plant herbs and veggies on the patio summer off right 6/3- Kathy Lowe performs outdoor concert in the Courtyard 6/7 Foot Clinic 6/8—Picnic at the New London Historical

Society (Rain date 6/15)

6/17—Will Ogmundson performs piano concert in the **Community Room** 6/20-Father's Day BBQ 6/22-Grace Rapetti performs in the Community Room 6/24-A.I.L 6/29—Courtyard trip to

Sunapee State Beach





## Woodcrest Hosts Performers Once Again!

It's been a long year and a half since we've been able to have outside performers come to Woodcrest Village. Luckily, we have employees like Hannah Kelley and Chris Beaucher who, when opportunity arises, will gladly pick up their instruments and play some favorite tunes. We've also gotten through by connecting with musicians virtually, and

thank goodness for that! But we are slowly finding that certain things are easing up. This month we will start to see the benefits of some restrictions lifting. We can now allow a limited scope of performers into the house again! Celebrated local pianist Will Ogmundson will return and give that beautiful baby grand in the Community Room a good work

out with a Father's day themed concert on 6/17. And our dear old friend Kathy Lowe will grace our Courtyard patio with her eclectic hats, stories and songs on 6/3. We are also so happy that the Lake Sunapee VNA employs a fabulous guitar playing singer named Grace Rapetti. As a music therapist, Grace will be able to join us on a monthly basis. Let the live music play!

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## Our First Outings of the Season!



June is unquestionably a wonderful time of year to get out and enjoy our beautiful area. With so much to see and so much summer ahead of us, where to begin? Right in our neighborhood. Just down the road is the New London Historical Society. A lovely plot of land and historic

buildings sit as though undisturbed by the passage of centuries. Tuesday, 6/8, we'll have a private tour of the gardens and grounds and buildings, and then enjoy a picnic lunch, surrounded by lovingly preserved history! We'll start Chapel service early that day because the bus will leave promptly at 11:00. Make sure to

sign up for this great trip! Another gem, right around the corner, is the Sunapee State Park. On Tuesday, 6/29, Courtyard residents will take a ride to the shore of Big Lake Sunapee. We'll spend the afternoon wading in the water, soaking in the sun and relaxing in the shady shoreline park. What better way

to welcome summer?





## Ciao Friends!



June brings even more change! This month we say a fond farewell to staff members, Anne and Beryl and Michon and Greg. Whether retiring or just journeying on, we wish you all the very <u>best!</u>

We will also warmly welcome some new folks in our midst. Jeri Bacote joins our Courtyard staff as Nurse Manager. Lori Weed will act as a per diem nurse and Jane Walsh has joined our Activities department. We look forward to working with all of you!

There are lots of new resident faces in our house too. Please welcome Kurt Wunderli, Cecile Wiley, Alice Nulsen, and Dale Mueller to Woodcrest Village! Whether here in the short-term, or for a longer stay, we are so happy you're part of our community!

### A Very Happy June Birthday to;

## **Moments in May**

Paula Rítter 6/17

Gladys Smith 6/28











