Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home Newsletter



Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home Spring Tea

On Thursday May 4th, the Sanborn Gratiot Auxiliary hosted their annual spring tea. This event is a Sanborn tradition dating back to 1959. The last in person tea was held in 2019, so the Auxiliary and the guests were excited to get back to the in person event. The annual spring tea is an event that brings the residents and the community together. Serving tea that afternoon along with the Auxiliary was Lisa Beedon, Susan Yeager and Kathy Baker from Blue Water Developmental Housing and Sanborn Board Member Tiffany Francis and her mother, Brenda Stevens. Also served were finger sandwiches and light hors d'oeuvres.

Joan Andresen was honored at this spring's Sanborn Auxiliary Tea for her many years of loyal commitment to the Auxiliary. Joan, on the left, is pictured with Vonda Secory at the 2007 Spring Tea. When asked about Joan, current Auxiliary member, Cheryl Frank said, "Over the years this sweet, vibrant



woman enjoyed working with the other Auxiliary members on projects and fundraising to support the home, residents and the staff. Joan reached 100 years young on April 1st, 2023! We are so proud of her

long-standing care, concern and contributions to the overall well-being of Sanborn."

Guests were welcomed by the light, cheerful music of Denise Gregg as she "tickled the ivories" in the living room of Sanborn. The sunroom tables donned pretty pink cloths, with a teacup in the center brimming with colorful spring flowers prepared by florist Gina Nowicki of Bel Fiori Mercato in Marysville. The room buzzed with conversation as friends, old and new, laughed and enjoyed their time together!

"The Auxiliary was delighted with the outcome! A big thank you to everyone who supported this afternoon by attending and/or with financial support. We are very happy that so many came out to visit with the residents who make Sanborn their home and to experience its comfy, caring atmosphere. The Auxiliary would like to give a huge thank to the hard-working staff who prepared for the Tea as well as caring for the residents. Sanborn is blessed every day by these compassionate individuals showing their love" said Cheryl.

If you were unable to attend the annual spring tea , but you would still like to make a donation to the Sanborn Auxiliary, you can send your donation to Donna Class at 1635 Connecticut Ave, Maysville MI 48040.

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home

Board of Directors

Nora Arnold President John Cantwell Vice President Laura Newsome

Secretary

Jeffrey VanDeusen Treasurer Bonnie Bracken Anthony Essian

. Juanita Gittings

Tiffany Francis

Hargopal Tekumulla



Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home Annual Spring Tea





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need your help with spring cleaning!! Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home's annual spring cleaning is coming up soon!!

Saturday, June 3, 2023 9AM - 12PM

Trimming Trees
Planting Flowers
Raking Leaves
Cleaning Windows

2732 Cherry Street Port Huron Please call Betty with any questions 810-985-5631

We will have gloves, gardening tools, rakes and cleaning supplies available. Feel free to

bring your own also!

Light refreshments will be served

Staff members from Sanborn were on hand at this years Community Resource Fair sponsored by CSCB's Housing & Support Services Workgroup. The St. Clair County Community Resource Fair is a one-day, onestop event to provide services and support for individuals and families who are experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. Homelessness can strike at any age and that is why Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home is happy to have received a renewal of the St. Clair County Senior Citizens' Millage grant funds from the Commission on Aging to continue to provide 4 beds for short-term emergency housing for resident seniors 60 and older who are homeless, at risk of homelessness or are in unsafe situations. Referrals come from a variety of sources; the public guardian, Adult Protective Services, the HARA, McLaren Hospital and Safe Horizons. If you know someone who may need this service, please contact Betty Guigar at 810-985-5631.



Music is coming to Sanborn!!

Two very special performances will be happening at Sanborn this month.

On May 19th at 1:00pm, the Port Huron Northern High School Choir, directed by Erika Senecal, will be coming to Sanborn to sing highlights from their spring concert.

Shortly after that concert, the Port Huron Musical Choir will be coming to Sanborn on May 23rd at 12:45 to perform a few of their songs. So many wonderful performances to look forward to!

If family members would like to attend these concerts with their loved one, they are more than welcome to come and enjoy the shows!





<u>Make a Difference!</u>

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial home is always accepting donations for our residents. Some of the items that we currently need are: Kleenex, Body Wash, Shampoo, Craft Supplies, Comforters and prizes for Bingo.

We currently have a big wish list item; Asphalt to fill the end of our driveway/parking lot. We are in need to have this done and would love it if someone wanted to donate this service!

If you or someone you know would like to donate these wish list items, please feel free to contact Betty Guigar at 810-985-5631 or email at Sanborn@bwdh.org to arrange for drop off of items. Thank you!



Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home was nominated this year for a Community Choice Award for the Best of the Blue Water Area through The Times Herald newspaper!

Nominations were held in February from the 6th until the 27th. Once all the nominations were in for the over 10 categories, the voting was opened from April 14th until April 29th. Sanborn was nominated in the category of Home and Home Services in the subcategory of Assisted/ Senior Living. We are truly honored to be nominated for this award as we try hard every day to take great care of our residents. We are very excited to find our the results of the voting on July 19th at the awards

gala that will take place at the Convention Center in Port Huron. We look forward to finding out the results and possibly getting this award to bring home to our staff and residents to celebrate! We will keep you posted!

Springborn Trivia!!!

Logo design is all about creating the perfect visual brand mark for a company. They say your logo should be simple, relevant, memorable, timeless and versatile. The goal of a logo is to perfectly represent your brand to an audience, while also differentiating you from others out there. A businesses logo is very important, however, if your logo has a great, heartwarming story attached to it, that makes it even better.

Do you know why our logo is so special to us now? The creator of our logo holds a special place in the Springborn heart. To find out the answer to this mystery, please visit our website and look for the blog about our logo designer. www.sanborngratiot.org





Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. provides residential assisted living for the elderly with a mission to serve lower income seniors who are semi-independent and seeking a secure and affordable residence. Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. is the only "licensed home for the aged" in St. Clair County and the only senior residence with a mission to serve lower income individuals.

Our expanded circa 1890 Victorian style house is comfortably designed for ambulatory individuals and we are licensed to provide care for up to 30 residents age 55 and older. Paraprofessional staff provide 24 hour compassionate care for residents including personal services, laundry, bathing and medication administration.

If you know of anyone that is in need and would like more information or a tour of the facility, please contact Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home for more information.

Do you know about Kroger Community Rewards? If you shop at Kroger, you can link your shopper's reward card to earn money for our organization at no cost

to you and this will not affect your gas points! This program is designed so that Kroger donates back a percentage of your shopping total to the organization you designate and link to your shopper's reward card. Just go to Kroger.com and scroll to the bottom of the page where it says Community. Click on Community Rewards and follow the instructions to sign up!



Do you do a lot of shopping online? Want to know how you can help Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home while you shop online? Go to iGive.com and sign up for an account. It is a free service where shopping at any of over 2000 stores like Walmart, Travelocity, Chewy, Overstock and more will mean a percent of your purchase will get donated back to Sanborn at no additional cost to you!! Sign up for your free account today and start earning for Sanborn!





Contact Us Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home 2732 Cherry Street Port Huron, MI 48060 (810) 985-5631 www.sanborngratiot.org

Endowment Fund

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home is proud to partner with the Community Foundation of St Clair County.

The organization has established an endowment fund with the Community Foundation. This fund supports Sanborn Home by helping cover the costs of resident activities, furniture, supplies, and other operating costs that enhance the lives of seniors living in the home.

If you are interested in learning more about the Sanborn Endowment Fund or making a donation please go to:

www.stclairfoundation.org/fund/ the-sanborn-gratiot-memorialhome-endowment



Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home has been an affiliated organization with United Way of St. Clair County for many years, enabling you to direct your gift to Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home. Sanborn Gratiot Memorial would like to encourage you to give generously to the United Way of St. Clair County to support its efforts to provide assistance to many deserving community agencies. Take some time to check out the United Way of St. Clair County's website to view current activities, fundraisers, newsletter and information about their current campaign.

Donations to the United Way of St. Clair County can also be made on their website or feel free to call 810-985-8169 to see how you can be an "everyday hero".

About Us

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. provides residential assisted living for the elderly with a mission to serve lower income seniors who are semi-independent and seeking a secure and affordable residence. We are located near beautiful Lake Huron in Port Huron, Michigan in St. Clair County. Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. is the only "licensed home for the aged" in St. Clair County and the only senior residence with a mission to serve lower income individuals.

Our expanded circa 1890 Victorian style house is comfortable designed for ambulatory individuals and we are licensed to provide care for up to 32 residents age 55 and older. Paraprofessional staff provide 24 hour compassionate care for residents including personal services, laundry, bathing and medication administration. Please see our Activities & Services page for more information.

Mission

It is the mission of Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. to provide an affordable, comfortable, safe, assisted living home to the aging community while striving to maintain a high quality of life for our residents through social activities and family involvement.