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## Moments Corner:







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Happy  
New Year

From the Desk of Happy Dan

January 2023 is here and what an interesting year we have had. I'm not sure what all of you think, but we have had some hurdles in 2022 that we had to overcome. I look forward to a bright shiny year ahead for all of us with a time of promise and reflection to take on the new year. Here are a few things that I am looking forward to here at Grand Haven this year.....

The Bling Bling Surf and Turf party coming up in January for all to enjoy.

Mystery bus trips and groups of musicians coming in to entertain all of us monthly..

Our yearly celebration, parades, and of course Hen and Renee's CRAZY Summer games.

Watching our residents come down and enjoy our home cooking with a smile.

Listening to you all play penny poker and 31 card games in the main hall.

Mother's Day Tea, the boys day out trip for Fathers Day

We have lost some precious friends and gained others this year. I say a prayer for all and am ready to take on whatever is in store for us in 2023. To all of our residents that are here today, I say "Thank You" for the privilege of working for you each and every day. So cheers to the adventures that we will embark on this year. Let's make this New Year the best ever and make lasting warm memories together.

Welcome to Grand Haven



Ann Kuehl



Ginger Moore



Gary & Carole Lane

Wayne & Patricia Hansen



# Senior on Spotlight



Carol Ann Pitts Judge grew up in Grand Mound, Iowa. She lived on the family farm with her three siblings. She remembers helping her mother care for her younger sister that her mother gave birth to when Carol was 13. She attended school in Welton, Iowa. Carol's parents took her on a trip to Wagner, SD where she met her Pen Pal for the first time. They had been corresponding with each other since 1952. They also went out west to Yellowstone and Mt. Rushmore. She recalls trips with her first husband and children to Wisconsin Dells and Circus World. Carol took her children to Kansas City and Worlds of Fun after she became a single parent and was staying with her Aunt and Uncle.

Carol met her spouse when they were standing up for her very best friend and his brother at a very small private wedding. He had 3 sons from a previous marriage and Carol had 2 daughters and 1 son from her previous marriage. All now are 58 - 64 years of age. How time flies. Carol worked as a receptionist at Spring Park Oral Surgery and Harold, her husband, worked at the US Postal Service. Carol's extended family consists of 20 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren (with one more on the way) and 2 great great grandchildren. She recalls fun times with the grandchildren staying over on New Year's Eve trying to stay awake until midnight. Carol likes being around so many great people at lunch time, all the great activities and entertainment. It is comforting to have such a nice living quarters without having to cook, clean or do laundry. Carol loves how everyone cares about her health and safety.





# Staff Anniversaries

1 year

Carley Schoenthaler

2 years

Riley Collins

Heather Knight

Michell Weidner

5 years

Elecia Arrington



## January Birthdays

Christine Gilbert (staff)	4th
Riley Collins (staff)	4th
Lois Latore	7th
Shirley Baustian	7th
Marcy Steinke	9th
Harold Wente	9th
Jennifer Maass (staff)	11th
Sue Bader	11th
Nicole Ward (staff)	13th
Ginger Moore	17th
Carley Schoenthaler (staff)	17th
Ellen Hawkins	18th
Paige Durant (staff)	19th
Dorothy Schmidt	24th
Renee Ward (staff)	29th
Logan Cheek (staff)	31st