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Dear Family:

The past few weeks have been quite eventful as well as much busier than we had anticipated for this time of year. Much of this had to do with our annual Certification Survey conducted by the staff of the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, which took place during the first week in February some two months early. The survey went well with only minor citations that have been corrected. Matter of fact, we have already had our follow-up visit to insure our compliance and that took place on March 13th. We want to acknowledge the efforts of our staff during this process, especially the leadership of our Director of Nurses, Mrs. Carol Hodge.

With that major event behind us, we can now return our efforts to the work associated with two major projects that we will be beginning soon. First, are the improvements to the patio area located between Eastside Village and Northern Estates. Mrs. Fredericka Wilson of our Board continues to direct this project. Much of the plant material has been purchased and is on the grounds and planting should begin soon weather permitting.

Our second project is the remodeling of the nursing work areas and new floor coverings for each of our neighborhoods. Final discussions have been completed with the State and we are finalizing our plans for the work. Our staff under the direction of Mrs. Sue Kemp has worked very hard on this project, and we are all going to love the outcome. We will keep you posted.

We were pleased to have hosted our Lt. Governor, the Honorable Andre Bauer on February 17, 2006, for a news conference to announce the placement of the first Volunteer Ombudsman in the state here at Mountainview. We are pleased to be working with Mrs. Janette Gianopoulos as our volunteer. If you have not met her, I'm sure you will soon. Welcome Janette to the Mountainview family!

Visit us often

Wilson K. Dillard, Administrator

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NEWS FROM ACTIVITIES

Thank you!! To all of you who showed your support during our annual Valentine's Flea Market, Hotdog and Bake sale. Without your donations and your purchases as well as your time this day would have not been a success. Special thanks to Ms. Nancy Eaker, Mrs. Jessie Smith and Mrs Gladys Skinner for helping us organize and setting up for the sale. We appreciate you. Thanks also to our own Ms. Kate Ballenger who kept up with the sales and handled the bake goods table. To "Sister" Libby Armstrong for selling all those raffle tickets and to Anna Brown for the jar of hearts for the guessing contest thanks to you all.

Mr. Pogue and Mrs Ruth Price each won a beautiful doll. Brandy Littlejohn, Misty McDaniel, Rose Childers, Donna Tracy and Priscilla Allison won gift certificates to Mr. Gattis and BILO'S. The day was a great success and everyone really enjoyed the day.

Thanks to Beaumont Baptist Church for helping our Elders celebrate Valentine's Day by tying heart balloons on their chairs.

Our Annual Diversity and Culture Program was held on Feb. 8th Deacon Douglas Jones and Dr. Keith Taylor were our speakers. Thanks to each of you for your inspiring and informative message. We welcome all of our new employees and new residents.

Until Next Time.

God Bless,

Gloria Crocker, Activities

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RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS FOR February, 2006

02 Zelma Jolley 05 Isabel Brown 15 Bruce Durrah 20 Jeanne d'Entremont 20 Homer Gilbert 23 Joyce Pogue
23 Linda Lowe 28 Dawn Massey 28 Lillie Rookard

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02 Kathy Clayton 04 Michael Cadier 07 Lillie Sumner 10 Fred Nesbitt 12 Barry Jennings 16 Janie Bomar 28
Ruth Whelchel

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Staff Birthdays for February, 2006

01 Monica Foster 09 Rose Childers 15 Dot Brawley 17 Darleen Smith 18 Elaine Clowney 21 Vickie Bullock
23 Koskie Gibson 25 Karen Horne

STAFF BIRTHDAYS FOR MARCH, 2006

01 Kayla Little 06 Iris Foster 15 Diane Sarratt 16 Alice Williams 19 Janet Jeter 20 Kimberly McDowell 20
Lisa Graham 20 Felecia Jones 21 Beatrice Broadus 22 Nancy Quinn 24 Gardner Rogers 27 Priscilla Allison
31 Tara Schubach

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Distinguished Service for February/March, 2006

Elise Pilgrim, 6 years Jerry Patty, 3 years Judy Arrowood, 2 years Teresa Teague, 2 years Margaret Toland, 1
year Tara Schubach, 1 year MARCH Janet Jeter, 13 years Pat Hoepfner, 12 years Lisa Wilkins, 12 years
Janice Williams, 11 years AnissaWood, 6 years Martha Rollins, 5 years Rhonda Wilder, 5 years Lisa Graham,
4 years

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NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK

National Nursing Home week will be held starting May 14th and end on May 20th. This week will be filled with a lot of fun activities throughout the week. We invite our families and friends to join us that week for some of the activities that will be going on. Watch the bulletin boards and the newsletter for days and times of the activities. The theme of the week is "Legends in Our Times". Hope you will join us.

THREE SNAKE RULE

James Barksdale is CEO of Netscape. One of his maxims that endeared him to his employees was formulated at a management retreat soon after he took charge. It's known as his three snake rule.

THE FIRST RULE; If you see a snake, kill a snake. Don't set up a snake committee. Don't set up a snake user group. Don't write snake memos. Kill it.

THE SECOND RULE: Don't play with dead snakes. (Don't revisit decisions.)

THE THIRD RULE: All opportunities start out looking like snakes.

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COVERED DISH SUPPER

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE COVERED DISH SUPPER TO BE HELD ON MARCH 30, 2006 6:00 TIL 8:00 PM IN THE MAIN DINING ROOM PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE SIDE DISHES (MEAT AND BREAD PROVIDED BY FACILITY) AND JOIN YOUR LOVED ONE FOR A FUN FILLED NIGHT OF GOOD FOOD AND ENTERTAINMENT RSVP REQUIRED CALL 582-4175 AND ASK FOR SUE OR ANNA

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NEW EMPLOYEES

Monica Foster, CNA

Amanda Puryear, CNA

Alice Smith, CNA

Sheila Gregory, LPN

We welcome you to Mountainview and hope you will soon feel at home here.

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SPRING HAPPENINGS

We are looking forward to getting our gardens underway soon. Johnnie Quinn has been busy planting flowers and tilling the soil for planting more flowers and vegetables. The area between Eastside Village and Northern Estates is beginning to take on a new look. The plants are here and are going to be planted. Mrs. Fredericka Wilson has been really working hard to get this project organized and done. We thank her for all the hard work she has done to get this garden area done for our residents. We hope to begin the renovations to the neighborhoods by the end of March. We are just awaiting final approval from DHEC. Things are really starting to happen around here so come and visit and see all the changes we are making. We are really excited about all of the changes and hope that you will be too. Sue Kemp

The most satisfying thing in life is to have been able to give a large part of oneself to others.

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TEN REASONS WHY I NEVER WASH

REV. SIDNEY LAING OF DUBLIN, IRELAND

1. I was made to wash as a child.
2. People who wash are hypocrites. They reckon they are cleaner than other people.
3. There are so many different kinds of soap, I could never decide which one was right.
4. I used to wash, but it got boring so I stopped.
5. I still wash on special occasions, like Easter and Christmas.
6. None of my friends wash.
7. I'm still young. When I'm older and have got a bit dirtier I might start washing.
8. I really don't have time.
9. The bathroom is never warm enough.
10. People who make soap are only after your money.

POEM When a bit of sunshine hits ye, after passing of a cloud, When a fit of laughter gits e, an'yer spine is feelin' proud, Don't fergit to up and fling it At a soul that's feelin' blue, For the minute that ye sling it, It's a boomerang to you! ----- John Wallace Crawford

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