



United Presbyterian Home

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Summertime is full of social gatherings at the United Presbyterian Home. Residents hop from ice cream socials, to campus breakfasts and 4th of July celebrations. The warm weather leads to many smaller groups meeting for coffee, walks and gardening tasks. Calendars are filled with reunions for family, friends and classmates along with vacations large and small. Potlucks and picnics are filled with berries, fresh veggies and the wonderful aroma of the grill fills the air. Most enjoyable to many are the sounds from the playground area where the children play daily. The patios and benches are filled with friends catching up on current affairs. In the summer the UP Home

campus buzzes



Above: Ken Noble, Brad Goff and Tom Tanner display this year's sweet corn harvest.

Side: Adison Shelman at this year's UP With Kids



Above: Husband and wife duo, Kerm and Pat Jenkins volunteer to push residents, Ada Hahn and Margaret Simpson on a summer day stroll around the UP Home campus.



UP Home's New Logo

Several staff members joined together to help choose a new logo for the United Presbyterian Home. They desired a logo that was fresh and modern and wanted to convey the passion the UP Home has for its commitment to Quality First. It represents all things possible each new day has to bring as well as ties all departments and residents together with enthusiasm and hope.

The new logo will soon be spotted on various apparel items worn by the UP Home staff.



Prom 2007 “Linking Generations with Music”



On Sunday, May 6th the United Presbyterian Home held its first

Summer Socials at the UP Home

annual “Senior Prom” in the beautiful Main Dining Room. This year’s theme was “Linking Generations through Music” as Ken Paulson’s Orchestra set the mood with all the special tunes from yesteryear.

As guests arrived they were greeted by striking centerpieces of Gerber daisies and a single balloon on each table. The doorways were adorned with red draped tulle and the dance floor was separated from the room with white pillars wrapped with ribbon and topped with ivy. Jan Wagenknecht was available to capture the special moment on film as Prom portraits were taken by the lovely murals and candid shots snapped throughout the night.

Many enjoyed the delicious hors d’oeuvres which consisted of meatballs, wiener winks, shrimp plates, veggie trays, cheese balls with crackers, mini cheesecakes and cream puffs. A red sparkling punch flowed from a silver lighted fountain punch bowl.



Prom guests enjoy the music, snacks and a swing or two around

As the orchestra played the dance floor filled and smiles permeated the room as dancers, toe



Ken Paulson’s Orchestra plays an old favorite for the dancers and audience to enjoy.

Picture submitted by resident artist Pauline Brown for the 2008 calendar.



UP Home Resident Artist Calendar

The UP Home artists have been hard at work compiling their creative talent into a 2008 calendar. Each month will feature an artist, one of their pieces and a little personal information about the artist. The calendars will be produced by Craig and Barb Swift of Studio 909 in Washington.

They will be for sale at the October 16th Alive After 5 for \$10.00 each and also available in the UP Home Store. Family and Friends are welcome to place orders by calling the Main Office at 653-5473 or emailing uphome@iowatelecom.net. Proceeds from the calendars will help with the purchase of the portable dance floor.

Celebrate Independence Day



Monday, July 2nd the UP Home celebrated Independence Day early. The morning kicked off with the Pie Bake-off where the judges found seventeen pies to evaluate. The judges, Brad Goff, Karolyn Skubal and Michelle Sorrell tasted their way through their morning duties chewing on red raspberry, apple, pecan, strawberry, blueberry cheese and many more delicious pies. Third place went to Jane Cuddeback for her Pecan pie, Marcella Greiner took second with her Cherry pie while Betty Beenblossom's Coconut Cream Pie won first place for the second year in a row.

After the judging, all pies were swept outside under the big top for the pie auction. This year's proceeds are being raised to buy an 18 x 18 portable dance floor with cart and edging. Over half the money was raised for the new floor on Monday from the pie auction, donations and money gathered from the crowd to see Mike Moore, UP Home's administrator and good sport receive three pies in the face. Moore had made the comment that if they could find \$200 he would be a target. To his surprise he was summoned quickly to stick his head through the "Un-gothic" portrait painted by Carol Ray and all three pies were right on target. Many others also had their pictures taken with the "Un-gothic" portrait, a great replica of Grant Wood's American Gothic painting.

Dining Services grilled hot dogs and served them with baked beans, chips, red, white and blue chipped cookies and the All American drinks of lemonade and iced tea. Lunch was followed



by a musical performance from the Polka Dots. This group is from the Iowa City Senior Center and they played a variety of selections including

Moore takes one
for the team!



Pat Goff gets the maintenance man, Chris Wilson

Road Map to Change

Beginning June 25th, the Staff at the UP Home began to revisit the foundation of Cultural Change and Quality First through a series of Monday "Road Map to Change" luncheons. During the first meeting the staff listened to Kevin Carroll's 'Rules of the Red Rubber Ball'. At the second meeting Larry Minnix spoke on Cultural change. The ideas presented encouraged staff to find their true motivation, while having fun and keeping the resident as the first priority.

Along with the Road Map to Change luncheons, the UP Home has signed onto the new coalition based, two year national campaign Advancing Excellence in America's Nursing Homes. The campaign is reinvigorating effort to improve the quality of care and quality of life for those living or recuperating in America's Nursing Homes and the staff that manages them.

Both programs are helping with the United Presbyterian Home's commitment to Quality First through ideas for continuous quality improvement.

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- ★ Join us on Tuesday, October 16th as the United Presbyterian Home celebrates our 60th Anniversary by hosting the Washington Area Chamber of Commerce Alive After Five from 5:00–7:00 p.m. The event will be held in the beautiful



Hawaiian Luau

- ★ Grab your grass skirt or Hawaiian shirt, we're having a Luau on September 7th. The UP Home will be serving Hawaiian themed treats as well as providing afternoon entertainment.



Garage Sale

- ★ The UP Home will be having a garage sale on September 13th & 14th as a fundraiser for the portable dance floor. With only \$994 left, this is a great way to get rid of your unwanted items and find a few new treasures.

*How to Prepare for
Long-term Care Meeting*

- ★ Tuesday, September 25th, from 1-2 PM, there will be an informational meeting on how to prepare in advance for the adjustments and costs associated with moving into a long-term care setting. Some of the topics included will be long-term care insurance, preparing one's family, when is it time to go into long-term care, and advance directives. All campus residents and their families are invited. Please contact Paula Brinning for more information.

*Celebrate Homecoming 2007
with the UP Home*

- ★ Washington's Homecoming is October 5th and the UP Home will be celebrating with them with the following dress-up days:

Monday—Hat Day

Tuesday—Alma Mater Day

Wednesday—Mismatch Day

Thursday—70's Day

Friday—Orange and Black Day

- ★ Please submit your ideas for the UP Home float by September 14th. The winning idea will receive a prize and be used in the parade.