

Winter 2018

Winter Events

2/4 Super Bowl Party

HIRU Dining Room - 6:30 pm

2/13 Mardi Gras Party with The Next Level Steel Drum Band

Resident Dining Room - 2:30 pm

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Stan & Edie

Kipp Pavilion - 2:15 pm

2/19 President's Day Live Music

Resident Dining Room - 2:30

Kipp Pavilion - 2:15 pm

2/22 Curtain Calls "Zero Hour"

Resident Dining Room - 2:30 pm

3/2 SJNC's "Oscar" Awards Ceremony

Resident Dining Room - 2:30 pm

3/17 St. Patrick's Day Party

Resident Dining Room - 2:30 pm

Kipp Pavilion - 2:15 pm

3/28 Easter Bonnet Parade

Resident Dining Room - 2:30 pm

5/20 "Singin' in the Rain"

Benefit Performance at
John W. Engeman Theater
in Northport



A Note From our CEO & Administrator

We had the privilege of formally recognizing long-serving nursing and administrative staff with a special dinner and award ceremony at The Watermill in Smithtown. I am honored to have been at St. Johnland for 35 years, and commend the others for their dedication and compassion to St. Johnland's residents as they work together as a team. Also recognized for 35 years was Donna Verdonck (Daycare). Honored for 30 years of service were Maria Candela (Daycare) and Donna Maniotis (Housekeeping). Penny Darienzo (Nursing) celebrated 25 years at St. Johnland, and Juan Abarca (Environmental Services), Patricia Curran (Nursing), John Duffy (Environmental Services) and Sherri Elliot (Nursing) celebrated 20 years.

In addition, 43 other employees were awarded anniversary pins and certificates for their service to the residents of St. Johnland. Forty-three percent of all employees have been at St. Johnland for at least five years and 33% more than ten years. These are extraordinary statistics in a world of declining employment longevity and allegiance!

We are grateful to the entire staff for their commitment to our mission.

Mary Jean Weber

Pictured: Mary Jean Weber, CEO/
Administrator and Deanna Baez,
Assistant Administrator



St. Johnland Nursing Center Honored

St. Johnland Nursing Center will be honored by the Kings Park Chamber of Commerce as the 2017 Humanitarian of the Year. The Chamber recognizes St. Johnland for "ongoing and outstanding contributions to the local community ...ever-present and tireless hard work." The award will be presented on Friday, March 2nd at The Watermill in Smithtown. Please call for more details and let us know if you wish to attend.

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Music Programs At SJNC



Whether hearing the sounds of Broadway show tunes, Jazz, Big Band, music from the Roaring 20s, or more modern compositions, our residents' eyes begin to shine brightly and a smile breaks out over their faces when they listen to music. The music transports them back to happy times and warm memories of their youth. Music can lessen anxiety and pain, and can also assist in relaxation. Here at St. Johnland, the sounds of music are heard throughout the hallways and help to create a soothing and pleasant atmosphere. Our residents also have many opportunities to display their own musical talents. Residents perform holiday shows several times a year. The choir performs every three months and is currently preparing for an afternoon of Irish tunes. St. Johnland Recreation Therapy staff members Ellen Shuriff and Kat Roeser lead our residents in musical spotlight performances and these shows always rock!

100th Birthday Celebration

St. Johnland resident, Maria Abate, recently celebrated her 100th birthday with her family and friends. Maria was born in Brooklyn as one of five children, but returned to Italy where she grew up on the family farm. After she married, she and her husband returned to the US. In the 1960s, she and her extended family moved to Hicksville, bringing with them many Italian traditions, such as the wonderful Feasts of the Seven Fishes on Christmas Eve and the annual "making the tomato sauce." Cooking delicious meals and enjoying life brought the three generations of family together. After losing her husband in 1999, Maria lived with her family, and later went to assisted living before coming to St. Johnland in 2015. At the age of 100, Maria is still a determined woman, and is able to get around using her walker.



SJNC "Oscar" Awards Ceremony



St. Johnland is rolling out the red carpet for their 3rd Annual "Oscars" Ceremony, coming up on March 2nd. Residents, families, and staff will vote for each other in categories like Best Laugh, Nicest Eyes, Best Personality, Best Singer and Most Likely To Brighten Your Day. Nominees in each category will be congratulated and their names will be posted, and then on March 2nd, the winners will be announced and the awards will be presented! This touching and humorous event promises to, once again, create a lot of "buzz". Winners in each category will get to walk the red carpet, receive their award, and present a brief acceptance speech and have their pictures taken by the paparazzi! Following the ceremony, everyone will get to celebrate at the "After Party" with some sparkling cider and dessert. Please join us!

Upcoming Resident Activities

Curtain Calls



It is sweeping the country! People, over the age of 65 are all playing a new game! How do you play this game? Can younger people play too? Who or what is "Drill"? Find out all the answers to these questions in the Curtain Calls dramatic presentation of the play "Zero Hour"!

St. Johnland residents are hard at work, learning their lines and honing their acting skills. Their performance of "Zero Hour" will take place on February 22nd at 2:30 in the Resident Dining Room. Please join us for this enjoyable play and to show your support for our resident thespians.

Save The Date!



Sunday, May 20th
"Singin' in the Rain"

at the
John W. Engeman Theater
in Northport
Brunch at 12:30
Performance at 2:00

Monday, June 4th
11th Annual Golf Classic
at Huntington Country Club

*All proceeds to benefit
resident programs at
St. Johnland Nursing Center.
For more information
please call 631 663-2457.*

Stay Connected...

Interested in hearing about our upcoming events or receiving news from St. Johnland? Please join our email list! Contact Joanne at jnielsen@stjohnland.org or visit www.stjohnland.org to sign up!

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