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Independent and Assisted Living in Woburn, MA

NEW RESIDENTS



Barbara Burke, Suite 340, was born in Cleveland, Ohio and moved to this area as a teenager. After graduating from Cheverus Parochial School, in Malden, she went to work for the former Northeast Airlines. She later relocated to Hyde Park, New York, where she raised her two children.

Barbara moved to Woburn in 1989, and is happy to report she has been here ever since. She now joins her sister-in-law, resident **Sally Cavanaugh**, at New Horizons.

An avid reader of both fiction and nonfiction, Barbara is also a member of

Woburn Senior Center's book club. She has enjoyed river cruises along the Mississippi River as well as trips to Italy and Germany, and her favorite destination is the Netherlands.

Mary and John Jordan, Suite **484**, join us from their home in Winchester.

An Allston native, Mary crossed paths with John, originally from Waterbury, Connecticut, at the office. The two NASA employees worked in Cambridge, he with navigation systems and she as a



secretary. The pair married in 1967 and later raised a daughter and a son. They are now proud grandparents to a grandson.

This kindhearted couple has opened their home by hosting many exchange students from Mexico and Spain as well as a refugee family from Vietnam, who lived with them for nine months. Like so many of our residents who love travel, Mary and John have been to numerous destinations, including Ireland, Italy, France, Germany, Spain, Puerto Rico, and Mexico. When relaxing, Mary can be found reading an historical novel or a detective mystery while John prefers technical books that focus on computer science.



Tony Lemone, Suite 445, is a lifelong Woburn resident who was born right here at the former Choate Hospital. Following his graduation from Woburn High School, he studied business administration and economics at Northeastern University.

Tony served in the U.S. Army for two years before embarking on a career, first at Raytheon and later as director of manufacturing at Parker Brothers in Salem.

This father of four now has 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. A long-time friend to resident **Zar Capua**, Tony has been a member of St. Barbara's Church Choir for more than 50 years and enjoys taking a daily mile-long walk.

Jerry Scalley, Suite 442, is another lifelong Woburnite. He grew up in Rag Rock, met his wife at a ninth-grade dance, and, according to this U.S. Army veteran, "the rest is history."

Jerry enjoyed a varied career, including ownership of Pioneer Printing Company. At age 35, he continued his education at Fitchburg University, taking two Saturday classes for 10 years to earn a bachelor's degree followed by a master's degree from University of Cambridge. He then spent 34 years at Kennedy Junior High School



instructing students on the printing trade and, later, computer skills.

This father of five is now grandfather to 12 grandchildren and greatgrandfather to 16. He enjoys spending time with his family and catching up on the day's events on CNN news.

We extend a warm welcome to **Barbara**, **Mary**, **John**, **Tony**, and **Jerry**.

Our Fantastic Variety Show

Residents, staff, and guests filled Terrace Lounge with smiles and applause during our recent Variety Show. The entertainment kicked off with a bang, thanks to a spirited rendition of "Let Me Entertain You," performed by residents **Eva Boice, Louise Sorabella, Jean McElhinney,** and **Ellen Rowe.** Next up, resident **Jane Robinson** charmed the crowd with two original poems and staff member **Michael Dudal** recited "The Randall Knife."







Pictured below (clockwise, from top left), residents **Pam Amidon**, **Kathy Heller, Eileen Shireman**, and **Mike Sheridan** sang and strummed their ukuleles, **Pat Lavelle** demonstrated his skill with the harmonica, and **Pauline Foley** and **Nancy Brucklier** tickled our funny bones with their humorous "fill in the blank" limericks.





Our community's vocal talents were on full display as (below, clockwise from top left) residents **Victor Skowronski** and **Eunice Wilson** serenaded us with "Edelweiss," **Ron Simonds** performed the catchy "Alphabet Song," wait staffers **Gianna Connearney** and **Joey Hayes** delivered a sweet rendition of "Hopelessly Devoted to You," family member **Neil Cudmore** set the mood for crooning with "Blue Moon," **Charlie Gazzara** chose the old classic "May You Always" and **Carolyn Parrish** and **Tricia Kane** kept us clapping with "Elsie Schultz-En-Heim."







New Horizons Chorale Group treated us to a medley of songs, including "God Bless America." Pictured below, l to r: (seated) Jane Robinson, Sally Cavanaugh, and Vicki Massaro; (standing) Lois Bellini, Victor Skowronski, Pam Amidon, Ron Simonds, Kathy Heller, Eunice Wilson, Lucile Cashin, Ray Pothier, and Barbara Gumuchian.





The show-stopping finale was a surprise visit from none other than Sonny and Cher (known in local circles as family member **Neil Cudmore** and Associate Executive Director **Barbra Graham**), who danced and lip-synced to '60s hit song "I Got You Babe."

Many thanks to everyone who helped to make this show a rousing success!

Dates to Remember

- Flag Day, Saturday, June 14
- Father's Day, Sunday, June 15
- Juneteenth, Thursday, June 19
- Summer Solstice, Friday, June 20





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