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We are fast approaching the chilly fall season, soon termination dust will appear on the Chugach Range. We all have mixed emotions each year as our long daylight hours fade and the warm sunshine is replaced with a cool breeze and, the changing color of our trees. And the first snowfall will soon follow. As we head into the busy holiday season, this year will have a unique set of challenges as we continue with our social distancing activities. We are determine to make things fun and interesting for everyone, whatever our circumstances. You can see one of our many events featured on page 4. In October we will be busy with Oktoberfest, our 1 Year Anniversary, Halloween and a calendar filled with our monthly schedule. Highlights for October are on page 2, check out our calendar for additional areas that may be of interest.

### Building Construction Update

**Construction is nearly completed. The concrete patio deck floor will be ready for us to walk on soon, if all goes as planned. Watching the workers progress has been a source of unexpected entertainment during the process. Cranes, welding, painting and everything in-between to create a fabulous deck for entertaining in 2021 post COVID. It should be finished so we can take a few photos before the snow flies and in time for us to celebrate our first anniversary at the end of the month.**

### Virtual Tours

**We are continuing with our virtual tours for anyone interested in viewing our Baxter community and seeing all of our wonderful amenities and model apartments. Contact 907-865-3516 to schedule a virtual tour.**

Welcome Home!

Our new residents and staff joining the Baxter Senior Living community in August and September are:

### NEW RESIDENTS

\*Larry - Apt. #160  
 \*Bruce - Apt. #357  
 \*Mike - Apt. #260  
 Patricia - Apt. #244  
 Kenneth - Apt. #173

### NEW STAFF

Meletius (MJ): Care Staff  
 Mohamed: Care Staff  
 Avery: Care Staff  
 Shantyle: Care Staff  
 AriaHL Care Staff  
 Rachel: Kitchen/Server  
 Robert (Bob): Kitchen/Cook  
 Raistlin: Kitchen/Cook  
 Carol: Kitchen/Utility  
 Jimmy (JP): Activities/Driver  
 Chelbie: Housekeeping  
 Netta: Housekeeping

### DEPARTMENT HEADS

General Manager: Keith Rayl  
 Health Services: Brooke Maruskie, RN  
 Office Manager: Monika Dahlberg  
 Activities Director: Maria James  
 Maintenance: Tom Hartman  
 Housekeeping: Sheryl Hartman  
 Executive Chef: Chris Corona  
 Marketing / Senior Living Advisors  
 Jonie Suzuki and Karla Cen



## What's New in Marketing

**Nominees for Gold Pan Award:** Baxter Senior Living has been nominated for Entrepreneurial Excellence by the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce for the [Gold Pan Awards!](#)

[Save your Seat](#) for this year's Award Ceremony hosted on Zoom and keep your fingers crossed for us!

**Baxter's 1 Year Anniversary:** Baxter is turning 1! Even though parties and gatherings have changed, we're excited to share this wonderful celebration with you via Zoom.

So please mark your calendars for October 23rd to celebrate "A Night of Stars" with your Baxter Family and be on the lookout for our invite!

**Don't forget to leave us a positive Google Review!**

As a new business and new home in Anchorage, word of mouth from our friends, families and neighbors is a huge help!

We also do this through reviews to get the good word out about our community!

Every review makes a huge difference so that others who may need a home, care and assistance like ours can find us.

If you are dissatisfied, have any concerns or questions please give us the opportunity to make things right by reaching out to us at (907) 891-9696 or emailing us at [info@baxterseniorliving.com](mailto:info@baxterseniorliving.com)

## **October ZOOM events**

- 1st, 1:00pm - **Art Links** 2nd Fl. Art Room
- 7th, 4:00pm - **Technology Hour** / 2nd Fl
- 8th, 1:00pm - **Memory Café** / 2nd Fl
- 12th, 1:00pm - **Travel Chat** / 2nd Fl
- 21st, 4:00am - **Technology Hour** / 2nd Fl

See someone in Activities for additional Zoom events that may be added during the month as connections are made with facilitators.



## October Jokes

- 1). What do you call two witches sharing an apartment?
- 2). What do you get when you cross Bambi with a ghost?
- 3). Do zombies eat popcorn with their fingers?
- 4). What is a vampire's favorite sport?
- 5). What do you call a ghost on the ceiling?
- 6). How do you write a book about Halloween?



## **October Upcoming Activities**

- ◆ 12:00pm on Mon. and Wed. - 2nd Fl **Crafters Corner**, Join us for jewelry and beading crafts, seasonal items or other fun projects.
  - ◆ Mondays at 2:30pm - **Creative Writing** / 2nd Fl
  - ◆ 6th, 3:00pm - Monthly **Birthday Party** / 3rd Fl
  - ◆ 13th, 3:00pm - **Red Hat's** Group / 3rd Fl
  - ◆ 15th, 11:00am - **Brain Games** / 2nd Fl
  - ◆ 17th, 9:30am - **FLU Clinic** / 3rd Fl
  - ◆ 20th, 3:00pm - **Welcome Reception** / 3rd Fl
  - ◆ 23rd, 4:30pm - Celebration dinner and activities commemorating **Baxter Senior Living's 1 Year Anniversary**
  - ◆ 31st, **Halloween Activities** throughout the day.
- \*Seating is prearranged and may have some limitations due to COVID-19 and 6 feet social distancing requirements. See Maria in Activities if you have any inquiries or want to sign up in advance to reserve your space at any activities.

**Answers to October Jokes:** 1). Broommates 2). Bambo 3). No they eat the fingers separate. 4). Casketball 5). High-spirited 6). With a ghostwriter.



Hi Neighbors!

We just wanted to share our artwork with you and welcome you to the Baxter community. We are local students and love your walking trail behind your building and have met many of you during your summer walks.



Some of their artwork.

We love you and are looking forward to getting to know you better.



Love and well wishes from all of us to all of you.



We have the best neighbors. Al Thompson dropped off these gorgeous flowers for everyone to enjoy. They are beautiful, thank you Al!!!

### *Kaleidoscope Of Color*



Fall arrives riding on the back of a strong Chinook,  
 Bending the leafless trees to the breaking point,  
 And ushers in the freezing winds,  
 Bringing rustling trees as in  
 Preparation for the Chinook winds,  
 That blows the birch to the breaking point,  
 As they reach for the ground,  
 Setting the stage for the rain and gusting winds,

Spreading the wild flower seeds that will burst into bloom,  
 making Spring and summer a kaleidoscope of color,  
 Inviting walks in the woods,  
 The beauty of roses cherish and enjoy them  
 for as long as they last,  
 Setting the stage for Autumn,  
 As the old adage goes,  
 Stop and smell the roses.

By Shannon Wilks  
 September, 2020

Shannon is a resident here at Baxter Senior Living.

Thursday August 27<sup>th</sup> was our first annual Hawaiian Wear Day and Luau. Everyone had a fabulous time. Look at all the smiles! The Alaska Jumping Flea Society performed traditional Hawaiian and Ukulele music to help us with the overall ambience of our event. The weather cooperated too providing a break in the rain for the evening. We certainly look forward to having events where we can have friends and families of our residents participate along with us as COVID-19 -19 restrictions are lifted. You can check out our website and Facebook for updates too.



**ALERT:** We are still looking for a few older photos of our residents for upcoming Fall events. In November we will be celebrating Veterans Day, we have quiet a few residents who served our nation and we appreciate their service. If you have a photo we could scan or for more information please contact Maria in activities 907-865-3508, email [activities@baxterseniorliving.com](mailto:activities@baxterseniorliving.com)

**Deadline for content for November's Newsletter is October 25th.  
Submit items to Maria in Activities.**