



CORNELL ESTATES

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## Residents In the Spotlight

**Sue Jones**

“May your heart be warm and happy  
With the lilt of Irish Laughter  
Every day in every way  
And forever and ever after!”\*



*Written by Barbara Kellar*



Meet Sue Jones who was born in Dayton, Ohio but became a California girl when her parents moved with Sue and her older brother (a sister was added later) to San Diego, California, then on to Lemoore, California in the San Fernando Valley. An interesting fact is that the Naval Air Station in Lemoore, the U.S. Navy’s largest Master Jet Base is located in 18,784 acres near the relatively small town in the center of a large agricultural valley. Surprisingly, Navy pilots fly more flight hours than U.S. Air Force pilots do!

Sue married a long-time school mate at age 17 and the couple had three sons, Mike, Gary and Ronnie before divorcing. She met her second husband, Bill, when a friend introduced them where Bill was moonlighting as a bartender while also serving in the Navy. He stayed in the Navy for three years after their marriage before leaving the service after 14 years.

The family moved first to San Diego, California, then to Salinas, California, where Bill held several different farm related jobs, including driving a truck for McCarthy Farms and as a mechanic for farm machinery.

Like many in our generation, Sue was a stay-at-home mother until her boys were grown. She earned her own high school diploma in 1970, having gone back to school after her first son was born. She did briefly work as a secretary.

Sadly, Bill got C.O. P. D. and Covid during the height of the epidemic and Sue wasn’t allowed to see him in the hospital before he passed away in 2024. They had been happily married for 52 years. Today, Sue’s sons are Mike, who lives in King City, Oregon, having a daughter and one grandson who live in Wilsonville, Oregon. Gary lives in Illinois and has one son. Ronnie lives in Modesto, California and has two daughters.

Sue enjoyed Bingo and bowling early in life, but also enjoys the activities here at Cornell Estates and smilingly says that she enjoyed her life.

## Management Team

**Jen Gray**

*Administrator*

**Karen Fowler**

*Community Relations Director*

**Olivia Cardillo**

*Business Office Manager*

**Lee Reck**

*Health Services Director, LPN*

**Julia Solano**

*RN*

**Dylan Ferguson**

*Resident Care Coordinator*

**Jennifer Meabe**

*Dining Services Director*

**Victor Todea**

*Maintenance Director*

**Skyler Richards**

*Housekeeping Supervisor*

**Peg Bussell**

*Activities Director*

## Cornell Connections

Dear Cornell Estates Residents,

*Happy March!* It's my second favorite month because my birthday is St. Patrick's Day! I like to think that everyone is celebrating for me! I grew up an only child, so birthdays were very special. My other favorite month is December because I love Christmas. I have so many holiday decorations that I've run out of storage space for my 8-10 large totes. Snowmen are my very favorite Christmas decoration. I have so many!

I grew up in Lebanon, Oregon and went to college at Oregon State University - *GO BEAVERS!* I moved to the Portland area after college and then bought a house in Vancouver in 2004.

I have worked in senior housing since 2001, where I primarily worked in skilled nursing. I'm excited to be here and learn from staff and residents!

I am not married, nor do I have children. I've had dogs for a long time, but right now I just have a cat. I have a mini Australian Sheppard in the family, but he doesn't live with me right now. Unfortunately, you will still see some of his hair on my black clothes, he's shaggy and it's so hard to get his hair out of anything!

Jen Gray

*Administrator, Cornell Estates*

## March Employee Birthdays

3/1 Maria Marin

3/17 Jen Gray

3/18 Brianna McCann

3/9 Willene Yau

3/26 David Wynne



“May you have the joy that’s due you,  
May the years be gracious to you,  
May blue sky smile above you,  
And through all your days...  
God love you!”\*



\*From *Irish Blessings*  
*Greenwich House, New York*

## When You Have a Guest for a Meal

**Meal Ticket**

The kitchen here at Cornell Estates prepares wonderful meals. A Guest Meal costs \$6 for breakfast, \$8 for lunch, or \$8 for dinner. Guests should stop by the reception desk and pay prior to eating. You will receive a “meal ticket” to present to the server prior to placing your food order. Remember that on your birthday, you will receive a certificate for two free guest meals. Present the certificate to the front desk in exchange for a “meal ticket”. In the rare case that you don’t have cash, please go to the front desk. Your guest’s meal will be written down in exchange for a meal ticket, and you can pay soon after.

## March Resident Birthdays

- 3/2 Bill Muller
- 3/4 Earlene Sheley
- 3/5 Elaine Groff
- 3/7 Peggy McCuen
- 3/9 Pat Ehresmann
- 3/10 Donna McMahon
- 3/10 Don Yarnell
- 3/11 Larry Ingram
- 3/13 Betty Minor
- 3/14 Nancy Keetch
- 3/16 Jeff Armstrong
- 3/16 Fran Whittaker
- 3/18 Fred Vinell
- 3/20 Nina Ingraham
- 3/23 Cyndi Turtledove
- 3/27 Kathleen Hoy
- 3/29 Debbie Pentkowski
- 3/30 Mary White



## The HISTORY of SUBMARINES

By Jeff Dorman



Friday,  
March 7th  
at 2:30pm

In the  
Party Room

We will follow the development of submarines from their “first mention” in 332 BC through today’s cutting-edge designs and concepts. We will learn about inventors, entrepreneurs and visionaries. Plus, hear the stories of life aboard one of the most unusual places humans have been.

## Welcome to Cornell Estates Our New Residents

Rolly Polly  
Clarence Twenhafel  
Bill Riley  
Rita Hall  
Barney Lewis  
Pat Perkins & Chris Long



Our  
St. Patrick's  
Party

HAPPY  
HOUR

with  
Uncle  
Dave

Thursday,  
March 20th  
at 2:30

In the  
Party Room

## Pacific University Speech Pathology Students Return March 12th

at 2:30pm in the Party Room

They would like to pair up a Cornell Estates Resident with one of their 30 graduate students (*a future speech pathologist*). This time spent together will aid in the students development as future health practitioners, and more importantly, they will get to know older adults outside of a healthcare context. **More information coming your way soon.**





## March Shopping Trips

- 3/4 1:30pm **Fred Meyer\***
- 3/11 1:30pm **Dollar Tree\***
- 3/18 1:30pm **Walmart\***
- 3/25 1:30pm **Bi-Mart\***

*\*Remember your money for these outings!*



## March Outings



- 3/6 10:45am **Lunch Panera Bread ML\***
- 3/6 2:00pm **Brookwood Library ML**
- 3/13 1:30pm **Trip to Target ML\*** 
- 3/20 10:00am **Scenic Drive ML**
- 3/27 10:45am **Lunch KFC & A&W ML\***
- 3/27 1:45pm **Trip to NEW Michael's Craft Store ML\***

## About Shopping Trips and Outings

- Sign up for shopping trips & outings at the front desk.
- Cancel if you are not able to attend.
- Please arrive 10-15 minutes before bus departure time.
- Please empty your walker so it can be folded up on bus trips.



**Thursday, March 13th**  
**Place your Goodwill Donations**  
**outside your door**  
**by 10:00am.**

**Please label your**  
**sack or box for**  
**Goodwill.**



## March Employee of the Month

**Billie Priddy, Med-Tech & Caregiver**

Billie is an exceptional Med-Tech and Caregiver who shows a vast knowledge in her craft. She is very passionate about her work and the residents within our community.



*Dylan Ferguson*  
RCC

## Thank you!

### Resident Council Members:

Lois Ashe, Jeanette Weverka, Roger Ensrud,  
John Van De Graaf & Marcia Harrington

### Playing the Piano:

Patti Hart

### Taking Care of Cornell Estates' Gardens:

Arden Sheets, Shirley Osborne, Shirley Van Dyke,  
David Cliffe, Sharyl MacDonald,  
Roger Ensrud & Lazaro Pichardo

### Reading to the Residents: Anne Cliffe

**Sunday Worship Service:** David & Anne Cliffe

**Spanish Through the Arts:** Cyndi Turtledove

### Taking Care of Cornell Estates Library:

Debbie Pentkowski

**Taking Care of Cornell Estates Sewing Room:**

Mary White

**Writing the Residents Spotlight:** Barbara Kellar

**Birthday Bell Ringer:** Carol Digman

**For Being so Helpful:** Jeanette Weverka,  
Janice Sticka, Billie Crandall, Irene Mathern,  
Lexie Richey, Teresa Heysler, Nancy Allison,  
& Laurie Van De Graaf