

# The Village Voice

Bradford Village, a Brookdale Community Resident Spotlight

#### A December to Remember



The Village Voice staff wishes everyone a very Happy New Year! As we enter 2017, we remember the wonderful holiday season we shared together





Thank you to all who volunteered at the HCC and AL events!

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## Welcome, New Neighbors

#### Joyce and Wight Jones

Joyce and Wight Jones are "true Okies," with grandparents in the Oklahoma Land Run. Joyce was raised in Crescent High School, while Wight was just a few miles away at Marshall High School. After graduating, both attended Oklahoma A & M. Joyce majored in Elementary Education, while Wight majored in agriculture. A semester before graduating, Wight decided that agriculture wasn't going to be right for him and he took time off to join the U. S. Army. He was stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas and Ft. Benning, Georgia. He served as a platoon leader and later was assigned to Batallion S-2 (intelligence). After the Army, he returned to Stillwater to earn a degree in business.



Joyce taught first and second grades for seven years, but when their two children were born, she became a stay-home mom. She also watched over the garden, did some substitute teaching, sewed and enjoyed historical novels. Their son is a minister in Staten, Virginia and has a daughter and a son. Their daughter, an M.D., practices in Tucson, Arizona and has two sons.

Wight's employment upon graduating was with Cordite, which was later bought out by Mobil Chemical Co. Altogether, he worked in management for 33 years. A high-point was when he (through Mobil) took 100 men and their wives, two from each state, to London during the Christmas holidays as a reward for their marketing records.

The couple has traveled widely in Europe and the U.S. In 1999, Wight played the famous golf courses in Scotland. They have been to Switzerland twice and Wales once, to check on their heritage (looking for lost relatives). They spent a week at a Dude Ranch in Colorado and took an Alaskan cruise. Wight also stays busy watching over the 640 acres of land he owns with a nephew. The farm is about 14 miles northwest of Crescent and is mostly leased out for cattle grazing. A new venture will be the installation of wind turbines on the farm.

The Jones' have been faithful Christians all of their lives; Wight serves as a deacon at the First Baptist Church of Edmond. He no longer golfs, but retains his season tickets to OSU girl's basketball.

They are happily settling in their cottage at 1012 Jacobs and we want to continue to welcome them to Bradford Village. Wight mentioned: "People seem glad to be here!"

#### **New! Resident-Led Bible Study**

Susie Park and Sue Holcomb are hosting a new Bible study group, focusing on John 1:1-18 that will begin on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 10:30am at the Community Center library. Please bring your bibles and prepare for a weekly adventure! The class will meet weekly during the "school" year and monthly during the summers. Contact Susie Park at 657-2387 with questions.



#### **Jean Smith**

Jean Smith is a new resident to Bradford Village, having moved into 900 Enz. She lived in Oklahoma City's Tanglewood Road edition for 44 years, enjoying the four acres of trees and far-away neighbors. She moved to Edmond in Oct., 2000, about two years after the death of her husband.

After Jean was born in Shawnee, Oklahoma, the family moved to Oklahoma City, where her father worked on the railroad and her mother worked as a waitress at the Skirvin Hotel. After a few short years, they settled in Britton. Jean married young and had three sons. Due to her husband being in the army and away from the family, the marriage failed when he returned. She remarried a year and a half later and was happily married for many years to Les Jones. Eight years later, the couple had two daughters. "The boys spoiled those girls, loving them so much," she reports.

In high school, Jean studied shorthand and typing, dreaming of being a secretary in a doctor's office. She worked for five years at Tinker AFB as a clerk/typist, often handling (boring) classified material. She later transferred to Tinker Hospital, where she had a 20 year career as the hospital's purchasing agent.

Two of her boys have passed away; Jim, the remaining son lives in Bakersfield, California with his wife Rita. Jean was firm in telling that Rita has a "servant heart," being kind to all. She has two daughters, Cindy and Janna. She has 13 grandchildren, 5 stepgrandchildren, and "too many great-grandchildren to count."



While raising her 5 children and working at Tinker, Jean also volunteered at church, mainly producing the church bulletin for 14 years. She later joined Metro Church, singing in the choir and participating in bible studies. When Metro Church merged with Life Church, the music changed its emphasis, and the choir disbanded. She continues to study the bible in two different groups.

She enjoyed crochet and macramé. Macramé became an avocation when she was able to sell some of her macramé tables and shelves at Feist Furniture Store in Edmond.

A warm welcome to Jean Smith as she begins the new chapter in her life at Bradford Village.

#### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

With a new year comes a new chapel schedule. Beginning January 1, the schedule will be as follows:

Chapel Service at the Health Care Chapel will be at 10:15 each Sunday morning led by First Christian Church.

Services will be offered in the afternoon at the Assisted Living in the Activity Room. Southern Hills Christian Church will offer communion at 3:30pm, and a 4pm service will be led by various churches.

I will continue to issue a reminder each Sunday. Independent Living residents are welcome to attend either service. May your New Year be healthy and happy! ~ Jim Davidson



#### **Broadway Hits: A Year in Revue**

#### **Meet the Cast and Crew**



John Boaz





Whitney



Earnie Cornelius



Robert Drummond



Dot Every



Sue Fraim



Sue Holcomb



Clark

Bettye Jones



Dale King



Willa Love



Jeanne Maynard

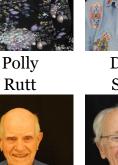


Cecelia Parkey



Susan Studt





Dick Thomas



Dorothy Skinner

Don

Wiard



Marian Young



Rosetta Smith



Melba Snider

Not pictured:

Kim Early, actor / music dir. Kennedy Peters, tech crew Gerry Pearson, tech crew Cay Wright, tech crew Earlene Brower, tech crew



#### Broadway Hits: A Year in Revue

Our 2pm show for *Broadway Hits: A Year in Revue* is SOLD OUT! But don't worry, you still have opportunities to catch this amazing show! We will be performing preview shows the first couple of weeks in January, and we have officially opened our final dress rehearsal to the public. Don't miss it!

Each act runs approximately 35 minutes. The full show will be 85 minutes long, including a 15 minute intermission.

- Wednesday, January 4 @ 2pm, Act I Preview, HCC North Dining Room-FREE!
- Friday, January 6 @ 2pm, Act II Preview, HCC North Dining Room—FREE!
- Tuesday, January 10 @ 2pm, Act I Preview, AL Lobby-FREE!
- Thursday, January 12 @ 2pm, Act II Preview, AL Lobby-FREE!
- Saturday, January 14 @ 10am, Final Dress Rehearsal, Oklahoma Christian Judd Theatre in the Garvey Center, \$5/ticket

You can also request to be placed on a waiting list for the January 14th 2pm show in the event that a guest returns tickets to the box office.

### The Show

If you're an Okie (and even if you're not), you're probably familiar with the classic Rogers and Hammerstein musical, *Oklahoma!* At the end of the tale, lovebirds Curly and Laurey get hitched! But have you ever wondered what happened after that? *Broadway Hits: A Year in Revue* continues the tale of our Oklahoma hero and heroine!

Curly and Laurey are on their honeymoon, but, unfortunately, they've become hopelessly lost. As the couple tries to find their way back to Oklahoma, they run into a colorful and ever-delightful cast of characters from all the classic Broadway hit musicals that we've been learning about this year. We guarantee you'll laugh and sing along as Curly and Laurey meet Henry Higgins, Adelaide, The Phantom, Rafiki, Maria, and others!

Do Curly and Laurey make it home? Find out, with Broadway Hits: A Year in Revue!

### **Christmas Eve Luncheon**

About fifty or so guests attended the Second Annual Christmas Eve Luncheon, held this year in the dining room of the Community Center. Jeanne and Hank Kuhlman cooked the ham and helped restore order to the dining room afterwards with help from their son, Hank Jr. Also remaining after the party to help were Hwa Yun Paddack, Sue Fraim and Patsy Corrigan. Colene was good enough to help on her day off; we couldn't have done it without her! Next year's meal will be on Christmas Day.



Thank you to Gerald and Dorothy Skinner for hosting!

#### **Remembering Christmas**

Each season, we try to help you remember things that were important in the past, like Christmas Stockings. Few people had fancy hand-decorated stockings; during our childhood most of us searched for the longest/largest socks in the house to place in a prominent place (usually Dad's). Santa most usually put ribbon candy, a piece of fruit (helped fill the sock) and maybe nuts to crack later. Some recall that the ribbon candy stuck to the socks, and the fuzz had to be picked off—or just eaten! Those lucky enough to receive a small toy in their stocking were the most to be envied!

This Christmas, we honored the Christmas Stocking to highlight in our seasonal decorating. Many thanks to Donna Suenram for making and sharing the large stockings in the north and south entrances to our Community Center. The quilters who meet in the Activity Center made a special quilted stocking for our celebration of the Christmas Stocking.

We hope you enjoy all the color and beauty this year. Thanks go to Jerry and Carol Biby for their work with the beautiful poinsettias.

