

# *Taylor Tales*

Happy  Valentine's Day!



# ***Why I Love Taylor House...***

## *Betty Lambert*

Betty Dennis Lambert moved into Taylor House in September 2018.

We asked her family to tell us what they enjoy about her living at Taylor House. The following is a letter we received from her family.



*The Taylor house came to mind in the summer of 2018. My mother, Betty Lambert had already looked at other facilities around our area to assist her as she aged and was no longer capable to stay alone.*



*We went to visit The Taylor House and fell in love with the atmosphere. We never felt we were in an assisted living center or a nursing home. We were welcomed and made to feel right at home.*

*The move to the Taylor House was very easy. All the routines and services in place made it painless for our entire family. They created an atmosphere free of worry for all involved.*

*I can't say enough good things about the staff. Through our entire stay, everyone has been beyond nice. We feel as if we are part of the family. My mother loves the activities and talks about them every day. We have even been invited to participate in activities for the residents such as chair yoga and Christmas activities.*



*The staff is always welcoming and full of information about mom's day or evening. Lashica, Ginger and Sharon have become family to us too. I feel as mom has gained a few new children.*

*The house is also a wonderful, warm inviting place. My grandsons love coming through the beautiful front door and bounding up the stairs to see not just their Grammy, but all the residents.*



*Maddox (8) and Marshall (6) have participated in Bible study with the residents as well as Bingo many times. Lashica invites*

*them to play whatever games are going on when they come, which is almost daily. The boys are noisy and at times rambunctious, but not one time have any of us been called down. The Taylor House is patient and welcomes everyone, even noisy little boys.*



*Lastly, I must say that I can't imagine her anywhere else. Her happiness and spirit I attribute to her stay at The Taylor House. My family is pleased beyond our expectations. Thank you to everyone at The Taylor House.*

*P.S. Our mom is always saying that The Taylor House smells good, not like other places she has visited for aging adults. (One more plus for The Taylor House.)*



## Celebrating Our Staff

Three of our Taylor House staff will celebrate their anniversaries in February. Ann Beatty joined our team four years ago. Tonya Fraley and Sam Jones will celebrate their third year with us. We love you and appreciate all you do to make Taylor House the best retirement community in Stanly County!

## Happy Birthday Elvis!

In honor of Elvis Presley's birthday, Taylor House celebrated with our local Elvis Presley fan club at Blue Bay.

After a dinner, we served everyone birthday cake. What a treat to celebrate the birthday of the king of Rock and Roll!



Frances Van Horn receives a scarf from Elvis – along with a kiss!

## Don't Miss the Bus!

- 1<sup>st</sup> Lakeview Baptist Church - Upward Basketball
- 6<sup>th</sup> Bus Cruise
- 7<sup>th</sup> Classic Restaurant
- 8<sup>th</sup> South Stanly Baptist
- 10<sup>th</sup> Shopping at Real Deals and Dollar Tree
- 17<sup>th</sup> Shopping at Dollar General
- 20<sup>th</sup> Bus Cruise
- 24<sup>th</sup> Bingo at the Senior Center
- 28<sup>th</sup> Day Trip to Concord  
Carolina Mall Lunch Shopping & Tour Concord



# Valentine Celebrations

- ♥ 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. **Valentine Banquet** at South Stanly Baptist Church  
Dinner, music, and fellowship  
Wear red or pink for a night to be remember!  

- ♥ 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. **Intergenerational Night**  
First Baptist Youth Outreach - crafts & goodies!
- ♥ 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. **Pinups and Pumps**: empowering women through the art of pin up. These ladies will be modeling their fashion couture with Valentine crafts and offering homemade treats.
- ♥ 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. **Be My Valentine Bingo**  
opportunity to win because **you are our Valentine!**
- ♥ 14<sup>th</sup> at Noon: **Sweetheart Lunch** – invite a loved one to enjoy a lunch and special featured dessert.  
RSVP by Friday February 7!

**More activities!** *Ask and you shall receive...*

**Weekends just got busier!**

2/1 @ 9:45 Upward Basketball game

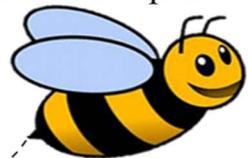


2/2 @ 6:30 p.m. Super Bowl Party LIV Are you ready for some football. Join your friends and cheer on your favorite team – Snacks provided.



2/8 @ 6 p.m. South Stanly Baptist Valentine Banquet  
Check your calendar for more BINGO!

*And watch for more things to come...*





## From the Desk of Ginger Harris

We all consider February as Healthy Heart Month. We listen to experts tell us how to have and maintain a healthy heart. Exercise, diet, and reducing stress help to keep it functioning at optimal levels. Now shouldn't we also consider the health of our *spiritual* heart?

When I think about our "spiritual heart", I think of our soul or maybe we call it our mind. Like God, man is three parts (1 Thessalonians 5:23) – He made us in His image; we shouldn't expect anything different.

We all recognize the body; we feel the most familiar with it and understand it, but we are spirit. Our spirit receives the new birth; John 3 explains this. So, what does that leave...our soul.

I believe our soul consists of our will, our emotions, our personality. I also believe that when we battle with sin, the outcome of the battle often lies in the health of our soul. If we feed our mind, soul, spiritual heart good things, it will become stronger and more able to withstand temptation. How do we feed our soul good things? Well, we know God's Word is life and health, Proverbs 4:20-23. So feed yourself His Word, the Bible. Read, study, and meditate on it. I believe we can find the answer in Philippians 4:8.

*"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."*