

# The Signature Times

Mind • Body • Soul

July 2019

# FANCY A SWIM?

Happy July fellow Signateers!! Yep, that's not a real word, but it should be!

July has been crazy! We've had so much going on!! We had our summer fete on the 20th, which was amazing! We had a visit from the Mayor of Dorchester, Richard Biggs. It was lovely to meet him and he had some conversations with some of the residents and relatives which they enjoyed.

In entertainment news, we had Mr Piano Man, aka Mark. He is so popular with the residents. We also had visits by Jane and Pretzel for Singing for the Brain, Magdalena with her dulcimer, guitar and drums, and finally Josh from Musica who was brilliant, playing the guitar, clarinet and harmonica! Also from Musica, we got the 'Care Home of the Month' award! Certificates can be seen on each floor.



This month we have had a couple of outings. The first one was to the beach at Weymouth. We caught the train down, which was an adventure in itself! We then had a little stroll down the promenade and had chips whilst people watching, and before it was time to come back, there was one thing everyone had to have.....icecream!! It was a lovely morning out and the weather was perfect!

We had our first MV Freedom boat trip this month where we headed to Portland. It was awesome!! Having never been on the Freedom boat I was terrified, however once we were all on the boat and we set off, nerves disappeared! Seeing Weymouth from the boat was so lovely, and being led into Portland harbour by a dolphin was amazing!! We saw some huge jellyfish and once we were moored, had our lunch before heading back! The sea was a bit choppy as we came out of the shelter of the harbour. Whilst most people went in the cabin, I decided to stay outside, only as the boat rocked, the waves got bigger and I got soaked!! As always, my antics become a huge source of amusement! Still....the dolphin was awesome!

# Elvis is in the Garden!



## Photos from Garden Competition!



Over to Kerry our Manager.....

Wow! So much going on this month, where to start, well our residents and relatives meetings went well and we really appreciate all your feedback to improve your service!

Fund raising has commenced for the magic table we are now at £5,000! This is amazing! The Summer fete raised £1,000 towards this, and a private donation from a relative (you know who you are!) this means we are over 50% of the way, we are organising with the lovely Craig (our exercise champion!) for a 5K run soon — please look out for the sponsor forms and of course if you want to join in even better! (running is optional of course!) proceeds to the magic table fund!

We had a visit from our Trustees and CEO for the judging of the Garden Competition! Result are now in....

**WE WON!!!!!!**

We are all so pleased thank you to everyone who participated, residents, relatives and staff! what a community effort! Well done everyone, now we can relax and enjoy the garden for the rest of the summer! We had so much fun lets keep it going!

The boat trip was a big success ! And a dolphin joined the fun making it extra special!

I would like to say a big thank you to our Student Nurses Jasmin & Emily who have been on placement here at Signature House it has been a real pleasure thank you we will miss you, all the best!

Don't forget the relative gateway if you want to sign up for this please let us know!

Remember, Residents and relative meetings are booked until the end of the year the dates are displayed around the home please join us if you can. Until next month thanks for reading!

# Activities @ Signature House!

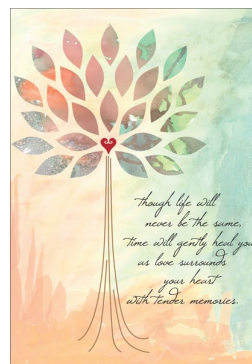




Valerie  
Maureen



With deepest sympathy



To the families of  
those who passed,  
we send our deepest  
sympathies. They will  
be missed by every-  
one at  
Signature House.

## COMING UP...

### AUGUST

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| 2nd  | National Colouring Day                |
| 3rd  | Joe Ferdinand—live music!             |
| 7th  | Holy Communion                        |
| 12th | Musica with Rosie & Josh              |
| 13th | Monkey World with Oomph!              |
| 14th | Creative Minds with Sarah-Jane        |
| 20th | Baking with Emma and Kelly            |
| 21st | 'Beach Adventure' (weather dependant) |
| 26th | Singing with Brenda and Gillian       |
| 27th | Freedom Boat Trip                     |

We have many other activities that can be found on the calendars that are on each floor, next to the entrance for the dining rooms. Also there is one in the notice board by reception!

Please note: we are always looking into new activities that our residents would enjoy. If you have any ideas or know of someone who could provide an activity, please let us know!