

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home Newsletter

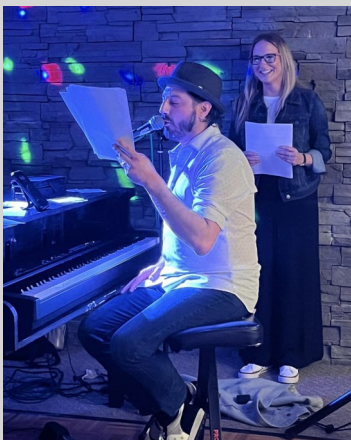


Dueling Pianos Fundraiser Success!

NY NY Dueling Pianos fundraising event was a huge success!! Despite the snow storm that came raging in that night, we saw over 75% of the guests that bought tickets brave the elements to show their support for Sanborn. We were thrilled with the turnout and so very grateful for the support.

The night started out with guests getting comfortable and checking out our wonderful silent auction items or buying tickets for the lottery board or Kate Spade purse full of goodies! We opened the event with a few words from Lisa Beedon, Executive Director for Blue Water Developmental Housing. Lisa thanked everyone for coming and spoke a little about what Sanborn does for the community and the people we serve. She shared a great video that was made by Nick Cartmell that will be posted on the Sanborn Facebook and website.

After we watched the video, the fun began!! Our dueling pianists, Evan and Tommy, were phenomenal! They knew all the songs requested and they kept the mood fun and encouraged everyone to participate. The whole room joined them in a sing a long throughout



the night and some people even hit the dance floor!! Evan and Tommy took requests all night for everyone's favorite songs by accepting bids from the crowd to play a song and even accepted bids to stop playing a song or to not play it altogether! Right from the start of the night we had one guest give \$100 to them to not play the song "Piano Man". This created a bidding war throughout the night as another guest gave them \$101 to play the song! As they played the song people approached them and gave money to keep playing the song or stop!

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Dueling Pianos Fundraiser Success Continued

Eventually we were able to hear the entire "Piano Man" song as the bids to keep playing out numbered the ones to stop. We also experienced a bidding war between the Michigan State Fight Song and the University of Michigan fight song with Michigan State winning that battle! (Go Green!!)

We had wonderful silent auction prizes that were offered such as a Grand Traverse Resort package, a sailboat ride, a private catered dinner for 4, date night package, high end scotch and cigar package, Marine City themed basket, necklace and earring set, Scentsy Whiff Box, baby themed gift basket, car care basket, adult pinata and a restaurant gift card pinwheel. We can't thank those that donated these items enough! Each and everyone of the prizes were fantastic and sold for a great price! We also offered a wine pull where you chose a cork from the wine board and the number on the cork was the bottle of wine that you won. We had so many wonderful options of wine to win!

We also want to thank our wonderful sponsors as well. Without them, this event wouldn't have been so successful. Thank you to Blue Water Developmental Housing, Lake Huron Foundation, Woman's Life Chapter 810 and 830, Beacon Wealth, Semco Energy, Genoa Healthcare, Southeast Michigan Non-Profit Housing Corporation, CIA Insurance Risk Management, Eastern Michigan Bank, Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home Auxiliary, Nicholas Sears Construction, O'Connor Realty, Shirkey Electric, Wolverine Market, In Memory of Paula Rood, Duraclean by Bacheller, St. Clair County Community Mental Health, Overhead Door of St. Clair County, Laser Letric Engraving, Frohm, Kelley, Butler and Ryan P.C., Jeffs Rubbish Disposal, Blue Water Woman Magazine and Advanced Digital Solutions Inc.

We had set a fundraising goal for this event and thanks to everyone that was a part of it, we achieved that goal and a little more! Sanborn relies on the community for support and the community showed their support for this event in a big way! We are excited and look forward to next years event where we hope to be bigger and better than this year!





Dueling Pianos Sponsors

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United Way Allocation

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home is happy to announce that we have received a 2023/2024 allocation of funds from The United Way to help support persons who cannot afford the full cost of care. The grant subsidizes the amount the resident has to pay and allows Sanborn to dedicate additional beds to persons who meet the definition of low income. We would like to thank the United Way for these funds to help our residents in need throughout St. Clair County. If you know of a senior who needs assisted living services but cannot afford the full cost of care, please contact Betty at 810-985-5631.

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home has been an affiliated organization with United Way of St. Clair County for many years, enabling you to direct your gift to Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home. Sanborn Gratiot Memorial would like to encourage you to give generously to the United Way of St. Clair County to support its efforts to provide assistance to many deserving community agencies. Take some time to check out the United Way of St. Clair County's website to view current activities, fund raisers, newsletter and information about their current campaign.



United Way
of St. Clair County

Donations to the United Way of St. Clair County can also be made on their website or feel free to call 810-985-8169 to see how you can be an "everyday hero".



United Way
of St. Clair County

Let's Celebrate St. Patrick's Day!

Friday March 17th

6am-10am

Freighter's

800 Harker, Port Huron

\$17.95 Breakfast Buffet

(\$20 at the Door)

Paul Miller LIVE

Tune in at 1380 WPHM

Purchase online at

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and SAVE

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for more information call 810-985-8169



St. Patrick's Day Raffles

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- PRP Home Wine Tasting (2 Drawings)
- Scotch Bourbon & Cigar Basket - Donated by Andy @ Wolverine Market
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Opening Day is coming up on Thursday April 6th and that means it's time for a Tigers Party!!

The residents of Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home will celebrate America's favorite pastime by having an Opening Day Party!! They will watch the game, have some great snacks and activities. Watch in our next issue for pictures of the celebration!



The Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home Ladies Auxiliary Spring Tea Fundraiser is coming up on May 4, 2023!!!

Save the date so you can attend! More Information and invitations will be coming soon!!



Panera Bread Donations

Every week for over 5 years, Panera Bread has been donating food to Sanborn Gratiot Memorial home. The wonderful kitchen staff at Sanborn uses those donations to make fantastic meals for the residents. Panera Bread's annual food donations for Sanborn are over \$20,000 a year! We want to thank Panera Bread in Fort Gratiot for their kind donations to our residents.



Rewards On Purchases

Do you do a lot of shopping online? Want to know how you can help Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home while you shop online? Go to iGive.com and sign up for an account. It is a free service where shopping at any of 2007 stores like Walmart, Travelocity, Chewy, Overstock and more will mean a percentage of your purchase will get donated back to Sanborn at no additional cost to you!! Sign up for your free account today and start earning for Sanborn!



Musical Activities

"Catfish Don" Czarnecki made his first appearance at Sanborn to entertain the residents. He played his favorite '60s and '70s tunes on his guitar. The Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home Ladies Auxiliary members Donna Class, Rose Westbrook, Alice Rieves, and Karen Fecteau planned a very green Irish afternoon and served delicious treats during the social time that followed. The afternoon included a giveaway of a beautiful quilt that was won by Coco and some little bean bag leprechauns were given away and won by Eunice and TJ. There were 11 residents that attended the afternoon activities where they served cookies and pistachio cupcakes. Much fun was had by all!!



Do you know about Kroger Community Rewards? If you shop at Kroger, you can link your shopper's reward card to earn money for our organization at no cost to you and this will not affect your gas points!

This program is designed so that Kroger donates back a percentage of your shopping total to the organization you designate and link to your shopper's reward card to. Just go to Kroger.com and scroll to the bottom of the page where it says Community. Click on Community Rewards and follow the instructions to sign up!



"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."

- Coretta Scott King

Endowment Fund

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home is proud to partner with the Community Foundation of St Clair County.

The organization has established an endowment fund with the Community Foundation. This fund supports Sanborn Home by helping cover the costs of resident activities, furniture, supplies, and other operating costs that enhance the lives of seniors living in the home.

If you are interested in learning more about the Sanborn Endowment Fund or making a donation please go to:

www.stclairfoundation.org/fund/the-sanborn-gratiot-memorial-home-endowment

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Sanborn Gratiot Memorial home would like to thank the members of Woman's Life Chapter 830 for donating the items on our wish list!! Items such as kleenex, sheets, comforters, spring decorations, personal care items and bingo prizes will be delivered to Sanborn by the end of this month! Thank you so much for all you do for our residents!

If you or someone you know would also like to donate these or any items you think our residents could use, please feel free to contact Betty Guigar at 810-985-5631 or email at Sanborn@bwdh.org to arrange for drop off of donation items.



Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. provides residential assisted living for the elderly with a mission to serve lower income seniors who are semi-independent and seeking a secure and affordable residence. Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. is the only "licensed home for the aged" in St. Clair County and the only senior residence with a mission to serve lower income individuals.

Our expanded circa 1890 Victorian style house is comfortably designed for ambulatory individuals and we are licensed to provide care for up to 30 residents age 55 and older. Paraprofessional staff provide 24 hour compassionate care for residents including personal services, laundry, bathing and medication administration.

If you know of anyone that is in need and would like more information or a tour of the facility, please contact Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home for more information.

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**"TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING
CAN BE WONDERFUL."**

- MAE WEST



About Us

Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. provides residential assisted living for the elderly with a mission to serve lower income seniors who are semi-independent and seeking a secure and affordable residence. We are located near beautiful Lake Huron in Port Huron, Michigan in St. Clair County. Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. is the only "licensed home for the aged" in St. Clair County and the only senior residence with a mission to serve lower income individuals.

Our expanded circa 1890 Victorian style house is comfortable designed for ambulatory individuals and we are licensed to provide care for up to 32 residents age 55 and older. Paraprofessional staff provide 24 hour compassionate care for residents including personal services, laundry, bathing and medication administration. Please see our Activities & Services page for more information.

Mission

It is the mission of Sanborn Gratiot Memorial Home, Inc. to provide an affordable, comfortable, safe, assisted living home to the aging community while striving to maintain a high quality of life for our residents through social activities and family involvement.