Christmas Entertainment

The annual Mary Galloway Christmas party was a particularly lively gathering, thanks to the UMW ladies of the Embury Methodist Church. They arrived in costume and presented a hilarious skit, “Granny Got Run Over By A Reindeer.” They led the group in Christmas songs, read the Christmas story and also brought presents for each Mary Galloway lady.

Cards for the Troops

In what has become an annual tradition at Mary Galloway, Board member Carol Howard gathers cards and organizes the ladies to write Christmas cards for military veterans at the Memphis VA Medical Center. The ladies enjoy giving back with this public service and the cards bring much appreciated cheer to our veterans who are hospitalized during the holiday season.

New Logo and Website

The Mary Galloway Home has a new, improved logo and website.

Check out our website at www.MaryGallowayHome.org for up to date information on Mary Galloway. The logo design is by Rich Weaver. Website design is by Steve Watson of Watson Design.

Mission Statement

Our continuing goal is to provide “protection, comfort and support in a harmonious and dignified setting for retirement-aged women with financial needs” - the purpose stated over one hundred years ago.
Over the years, there have been many interesting ladies at The Mary Galloway Home, but Bettye Berger is the first one that has achieved celebrity status. And even had a date with Elvis!

Born in Decaturville, Tennessee, in 1930, Bettye says her parents settled in the little farming community because “that was as far as the wagons would come.” One of seven children, Bettye’s father was a farmer and her mother a homemaker with “lots of energy.”

Married at seventeen and without finishing high school, Bettye divorced after staying home with her three children. She knew that she needed to earn a living, so she called Sam Phillips, who she didn’t even know and told him she would like a job. Sam called Dottie Abbott at WHER, the pioneering all-girl radio station, and told her to hire Bettye. She started out by selling advertising time on WHER and also did some commercials. One day Elvis Presley spied her doing a commercial for Honeysuckle Corn Meal. He called the station and wanted to know who she was and then asked her for a date. Bettye says Elvis was “a gentleman.” She also met Henry Mancini when he was in town for a show and went dancing with him.

One night she went with a friend to the Plantation Inn, a well-known night club in West Memphis. There she met Louis Jack Berger, whose family owned the night club and also Pancho’s restaurant. He asked her to dance and sparks flew; they were married within a year. Bettye started working at the Plantation Inn, booking the entertainment and getting to know the many famous acts that played there. She and Louis Jack had a son together, but later divorced. Bettye then went back to work at WHER, where she became a disc jockey and on-air personality. With her contacts, drive and keen eye for talent, she formed her own booking agency, Continental Artists. With such stars as Charlie Rich, Al Green, Rufus and Carla Thomas, The Bar-Kays, Willie Mitchell, The Staple Singers and Booker T. and the MGs, she traveled and arranged bookings all over the world. She moved to Nashville for a time and began writing her own songs, one of which was recorded by Ivory Joe Hunter. And three of her songs were featured in “Memphis,” a made-for-TV movie.

Bettye has four children and four grandchildren. A true pioneer in the music business, she has many fascinating stories of her remarkable life and impressive career, which she relates with her characteristic wit and charm.
The Mary Galloway Board of Directors hosted the annual Christmas party for the ladies. There were refreshments and Christmas music, with Resident Liaison Beth Carson at the piano, as well as entertainment by the ladies of Embury Methodist Church. A highlight was a visit from Santa, who greeted all the ladies and distributed presents.
### Turner the Dog

One of the most popular members of the Trezevant community is a Golden Retriever named Turner. Many residents miss their own pets and Turner enjoys being everyone’s dog. Since he came to live at Trezevant, Turner can frequently seen in the company of Paul Martin, Administrator of Allen Morgan and Trezevant Terrace, but he makes himself at home all over the Trezevant campus. Extremely gregarious, he enjoys visiting and receiving treats, and spreads joy and comfort wherever he goes.

### In Memoriam

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### Happenings

- Betty Johnson and her Bingo Cards.
- Rosemary Slattery, Helen Carey and Charleen Youree decked out in their Halloween Garb.
- Betty Johnson and Argeline Brower enjoy baking cookies.
- The ladies admire the Christmas tree after they finished decorating it.

### Happy Birthday!

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Carol Howard

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Mary Galloway Welcomes

Betty Watson
Betty Watson came to Mary Galloway in June. Her family owned a prestigious horse farm and stables in Germantown, where many Memphians learned to ride and show horses. She has a daughter and a son.

Alice Lee Lietch
Alice is a former Mary Galloway resident who returned to us in September. She lived in her family home in Rosemark, where she slept in the same room in which she was born. She has one son and two grandsons.

Carolyn Peel
Carolyn Peel came to Mary Galloway in October. She has one daughter, one son and two grandchildren. She enjoys reading, crafting, Bible study and music.

Zoe Nickas
Zoe is our newest Mary Galloway lady, admitted in December. She has a daughter and son. She keeps up with current events and enjoys cooking Greek food, listening to opera and reminiscing about old times.