

FUN SIGNERS



THE HISTORY OF THE KITCHEN BAND, FUN BAND, FUN SINGERS

This group has been in existence almost since Trailer Estates began. It debuted as a Kitchen Band. The residents involved were costumed in old dresses and aprons and many had chef-type hats on, as well. They played the washboards, the spoons, and pots and pans along with kazoos. Later the name of the group was changed to the Fun Band and for many years the costuming, choreography, and musical selections were elaborate. Two residents - Nora Kettle and Marguerite - were extremely talented. They made all the costumes, organized the props, and choreographed the music. At that time, Denny Shafer directed the group and Harriet played the piano. Programs changed every month. When Harriet left the group, Becky Harris became the pianist. Later Denny would also leave and Gail Opper became the director with Judy Whitmore playing the piano. The name was then changed to the Fun Singers to attract singers rather than band members to the group.

We all love being part of the group, first, because we love to sing; but our visits to nursing homes every Tuesday afternoon in December, February and March are the real motivation. Those warm our hearts. We often bring incredible joy to the lives of those who are sheltered among four walls there without the freedom we all share. The smiles on the faces of the residents make our visits more than worthwhile. Often they sing right along with us, and we're sure memories of good times in their lives come forward. Entertaining our own neighbors in TE at Coffee Breaks in December and again in March are special times for us too.



THE HISTORY... continued

We look forward to others joining us. The ability to sing is not a prerequisite. We only ask that you love to sing. We practice every Friday at 9:00 a.m. in Mark's Hall from November through March.



Hope to see YOU among us soon!