



Dear Taylor Community,

Today, we share highlights from the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration of Opechee Harbor resident, Guna (Berzins) Jurka. Our thanks to Team Taylor's Pam McLaughlan for planning such a lovely celebration.

Guna was born 100 years ago on July 2, 1920 in Veclaicene, Latvia on a small farm that borders Estonia. She was followed by two younger sisters, Daina and Maiga. After finishing her schooling Guna's plans were to run the farm. Guna liked the outdoors and sports. She especially loved horses and was an excellent rider.

As World War II raged across Europe and the Soviet Union advancing into Latvia, Guna and her family fled the communists to Germany. During the Allied Occupation of Germany, Guna and her family were moved to a Displaced Persons Camp in Nuremberg.

During her time at the camp Guna met her future husband,

Ojars Jurka. They were married on June 22, 1948. Guna and her new husband left Germany in 1949, arriving in New York City on Columbus Day. They started their new life in the United States in East Orange NJ and adjusting to a new country with new customs and new language.

Guna was a devoted mother raising 2 sons Valdis (born 1950) and Atis (born 1952). In 1955, she and Ojars became naturalized U.S. citizens. Nevertheless, Guna has never forgotten her Latvian heritage, belonging to the Latvian Lutheran church and social circles of the Latvian immigrant community in NJ.

Guna and Ojars lived in various places in New Jersey until 1976 when they bought their first home in Hackettstown, NJ. This move allowed Guna the opportunity to once again enjoy the gardening she had always loved. She continued her life there after her husband's Ojars passing in 1994. When her son and his family moved to Laconia in 2013, Guna decided she would like to be nearby and made Taylor Community her new home.

Guna is the proud grandmother of five grandsons and an especially proud great grandmother of one great granddaughter and two great grandsons.

Please join us in celebrating this milestone birthday. Happy Birthday, Guna!

Be safe, wear a mask, and please keep washing your hands,

Michael  
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**HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY—Taylor Home residents enjoyed delicious food and good company outside on the 4th!**

**RESIDENT TOWN HALL QUESTIONS**

The July 13th Resident Town Hall will once again be a video taped format. If you have a question that you would like answered, please call or e-mail Ed Soucy at [esoucy@taylorcommunity.org](mailto:esoucy@taylorcommunity.org) or 366-1229.

**MONDAY FUNNIES**

**Courtesy of a Resident Funnywoman**

\*A man tells his doctor that he's incapable of doing all the things around the house that he used to do. When the examination is over, he says, "Okay, Doctor. In plain English—what's wrong with me?" "Well, in plain English," says the doctor, "you're just lazy." The man nods. "Now give me the medical term so I can tell my wife."

\*My granddaughter asked why I called my husband hon. "It's a term of endearment," I explained. My husband mumbled, "After more than 40 years, it's a term of endurement."



**"No wonder our solar lights don't work," says resident Elaine Gumpp. "The chipmunks are using them as tanning beds!"**

**WOODSIDE BISTRO—Phone: 366-1481**

**The Bistro is OPEN!  
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Curbside pick-up and delivery also available**

**MEALS FOR TUESDAY July 7th**

**Lunch Pack: \$15**

Two Sandwiches:  
Roast Turkey **and** BLT on Toasted Challah Bread  
Two soups: Rustic Onion  
Two chips & Two Cookies

**Dinner pack: \$20**

Two entrées: Steak Fajita Salad  
Two side salads  
Dessert to share

**Grab and Go items:**

**Salads:**

Caesar or Garden: (Top it with: Grilled Chicken breast, or Tuna Salad)

Apple and Spinach Salad: Thin and Trim Diced Turkey, Sliced Strawberries, and Raspberry Vin

Wedge Salad: Iceberg, diced tomato, Apple-wood Bacon, Blue Cheese Dressing

Chef Salad: Romaine, Grape Tomatoes, cucumbers, Hard Boiled Egg, Shredded Cheese, Diced Thin and Trim Ham and Turkey.

Asian Chicken Salad: Romaine, Red Cabbage, Corn, Edamame, Grilled Chicken with Asian Vin

**Groceries:**

Half gallon milk/Orange juice  
Half dozen Eggs  
Yogurt  
Fruit Cup  
Yogurt with granola

**Sweet Treats:**

Hand packed ice cream half pint:  
Vanilla  
Maple Walnut  
Coffee  
Graham Central Station  
Peach Frozen Yogurt  
Biscoff Cookie Butter

**Dine with us under the Pavilion:  
Tuesday and Thursday Evenings, 4:30-8:30 pm  
Call to reserve your table today: 366-1481**

**\*\*If you would like to submit a photo, joke, suggestion or question to the Taylor Daily, please call: 366-1482 or email: [gandini@taylorcommunity.org](mailto:gandini@taylorcommunity.org) \*\***