

Mother's Day

Cambridge House celebrates mothers

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HILDEBRAN — In 1870, the same woman who penned the words to the famous U.S. Civil War-era song "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," Julia Ward Howe, wrote a Mother's Day Proclamation, calling on all mothers to unite for peace in the world.

Howe's plea for peace planted the seeds for Mother's Day in North America. Forty-four years later, at the urging of activist Anna Jarvis, President Woodrow Wilson declared it a national holiday in 1914. Today, Mother's Day is celebrated in 70 countries worldwide.

Mothers were held in high esteem during the Mother's Day Social at Cambridge House, a DePaul Senior Living Community in Hildebran, where they enjoyed fresh chicken salad croissant sandwiches and crisp lemonade. The women at Cambridge House also received a colorful flower corsage.

"Not all of the women at Cambridge House are technically mothers, but they are all mothers to each and every one of us," Activities Director Cheri Hahn said.

For information about Cambridge House, call Administrator Judy Wrigley at 828-325-4980.



Ava Ward



Bina Coffey



Freida Beausoleil



Iva Martin, with her daughter Joyce Jaeger.