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TWO 90+ RESIDENTS CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS AT NEWTON SENIORS MORNING OUT

NEWTON -- Two participants in the Seniors Morning Out program in Newton recently celebrated their birthdays.

Earline Ijames, 93, and Boone Huffman, 92, enjoyed the celebration. Family and friends were also invited. Dave Orlandi, accordion player, performed for the group. Some of those attending danced, while others tapped their toes in time to the music.

Ijames, whose birthday was Jan. 30, has been attending the Newton program since the death of her husband in 2006. She said she believes the reason she has lived a long life is because she honored her mother and father. She said the program helped her cope with the loss of her husband.

Huffman, whose birthday was Jan. 18, has been coming to the program for a year, since his wife died. He said he comes for the companionship.

The Seniors Morning Out program is held in five locations throughout the county. It operates from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and offers activities and helpful information. A balanced lunch is also served. Anyone 60 or older is invited to attend free of charge, although donations are welcomed.

For more information about this program, call 828-695-5610, or go to <http://www.catawbacountync.gov/dss/adult/nutrition.asp>. Additional information is available by liking the program on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/MealsonWheelsofCatawbaCounty>. Donations and volunteers are needed for this program, which is a part of Senior Nutrition Services of Catawba County Social Services.

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