

Thinking of Yesterday Today

author Joan Day

Take a joyful journey of fun and family...share your experiences ...and get the inspiration (and the tools) to write your own memoir.

“It’s like being brought down ‘Memory Lane.’”

— Pat Leslie, Salem Senior Center, Salem, NH

Author Joan Day’s *Thinking of Yesterday Today* is a heartwarming program based upon her memoirs of growing up on a dairy farm in Bath, NH, in the 1940s and 1950s.

During her 45-minute presentation, Day captivates audiences with her stories of childhood fun and family togetherness on the family farm. It was a time of country capers, cows and calamities. She also encourages audience members to share their experiences and gives them the motivation and guidance to write their own memoirs for their families and future generations.

“My family has been after me to do what you have done. You inspired me to get busy before it’s too late.”

— Lillian Wallace, Pleasant View Retirement, Concord, NH

During her presentation, Day will:

- Share tales of the “good old days” through passages of her book.
- Inspire audiences to recall their childhood memories.
- Provide tips on memoir writing and discuss why this is a special gift for family members.
- Host a question and answer session.

“I was surprised at the group participation—Joan hit an interest!” — Resident, Pleasant View Retirement, Concord, NH

“Thank you for your presentation at our senior center. You are a highlight to our ‘NH History’ programming.”

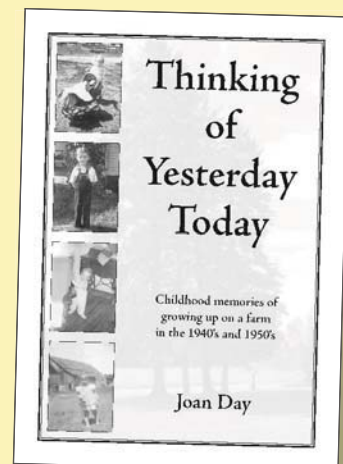
— Sandi Bandieri, Director, Mountain View Senior Center, Bradford, NH

Copies of Day’s books will also be available for sale after the presentation.



About Joan Day

Joan Day was born and raised on a dairy farm in Bath, NH and currently lives in Concord, NH. A former human resources administrator for the state of New Hampshire, Day didn’t start her writing career until after she retired in 2001. *Thinking of Yesterday Today*, now in its second printing, is Day’s latest book. In 2004 she published *Sylvan, the Gift of Unconditional Love*, a story with a universal message about the bond between a pet and its owner. Day is the younger sister of Executive Councilor Ray Burton, who still lives in the family farmhouse.



What reviewers are saying...

“Joan Day has written an enjoyable memoir ...Day writes of homemade sleds; Monopoly games in which her older brother played banker and invariably owned Boardwalk; and how she and her three siblings loved scampering through summers barefoot.”

— John Gregg, *Valley News*

“A book that triggered many memories of my own...photographs and words emphasize that family members belong together; whether in work or play, and they were proud of it.”

— Donna Manion, *Monadnock News*

“For those who grew up in rural northern New England or those who wish they had, Thinking of Yesterday Today will have a coming-home feeling.”

— Susan Sizza, *Colebrook Chronicle*

“This is not a book about strangers in our midst...Like so many local books, this is an important work because it is well illustrated with family and neighbor’s photographs. I enjoyed the closeness of the book to what the North Country is all about.”

— Bernie Marvin, *The Bridge Weekly*, Woodsville, NH

“The book calls to mind the freedom of imaginative play, the chores of farm and home and the importance of family and neighbors.”

— Sabrina Matteson, *The Communicator*,
Farm Bureau, Concord, NH

“Anyone growing up in rural New England can identify with Day’s memories of her childhood spent on her family farm.... Old cow pastures and winding dirt roads were perfect playgrounds on warm sunny days. Apple trees were there to be climbed, rivers were for swimming and the snow in the front yard was perfect for building forts and snowballs.”

— Sara Young-Knox, *The Berlin Reporter*

What participants are saying...

“What a wonderful trip to childhood. It makes me want to write down my memories for the grandchildren.”

— Resident, Ingram Senior Center, Salem, NH

“The most interesting discussions were of the happiest times in our lives. At my age, I’ve experienced many changes.”

— Mary Hutchins, Golden Crest, Franklin, NH

“Excellent! I saw myself in every page.”

— Donna LaBreck, Concord, NH

“I enjoyed this presentation very much. I am going to incorporate ideas in my own memoir.”

— Resident, Ingram Senior Center, Salem, NH

“So much of my childhood came right back to me. I didn’t realize so many mothers were alike.”

— June Croissant, Bow, NH

“Joan Day brought back many memories of old.”

— Resident, Ingram Senior Center, Salem, NH

“The book certainly brings back many memories of my earlier years.”

— Eudora Hibbard, Warren, NH

“Thank you for writing your ‘happy times’ book. I loved every page of it and all the pictures.”

— Bud Swerz, Connecticut

“Very good! Brings back memories of when I was growing up.”

— Darrell Dunham, Hillcrest Terrace Retirement
Community, Manchester

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