



# Wellsville Welcomer

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## BACK IN THE SADDLE

I survived my recent 1,000 mile bike journey from Houston to the Atlantic Ocean and I am thrilled to be back “in the saddle” at WRC. On behalf of my two biking companions, thanks to everyone for your support, prayers and positive thoughts. This trip, like my two previous bike adventures, again restored my faith and confidence in the goodness of people everywhere. All along the way, we met people who were friendly, generous and extremely hospitable. The one example I like to share is when we contacted a Warm Showers host in Louisiana. Warm Showers is a network of people all over the world who support bicyclists. They always will provide a warm shower and often times they will provide a bed to sleep in or at least a yard to set up a tent. We called a lady in Sulphur, Louisiana and asked if she was hosting. She expressed regret that she was out of town. But instead of declining to host us, she told us that the key to her house was hanging inside a dog house in her backyard!! We stayed in her house that evening and left the following morning and never had another conversation with her. Can you believe it? She is a shining example of the wonderful people we met along our path to the Atlantic Ocean.

## KUDOS FOR DOROTHY

I am going to brag about fellow staff member Dorothy Adams. When my wife and I acquired WRC 11 years ago, Dorothy was the Dietary Manager. This is a full time position. Over the next several years, while maintaining her role as our Dietary Manager, she took on two additional full time

positions – Housekeeping & Laundry Supervisor AND Social Service. She wore 3 full time hats and did them all well. Once we expanded, she eventually gave up the Dietary and Housekeeping/Laundry positions. She is now our Social Service person which, among others things, entails communicating with local hospitals and coordinating all of our inquiries and new resident move in’s. But this isn’t all. For the last couple years, she has taken on being accountable for our nurse schedule which means she is responsible for staffing our nurses/CNAs/CMAs 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Thank you Dorothy for EVERYTHING you do to help make our homes great places to work, live and visit!!!!

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

I am already looking forward to honoring our incredible group of volunteers here at WRC. We are planning a meal along with some great entertainment on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. It will be in our Community Room. More details will be available in a couple weeks.

PLEASE REMEMBER that we always want YOUR feedback.....especially when we fall short of your expectations. Feel free to call or text me or Jill anytime. My number is 785-224-3453 and Jill’s number is 816-255-8757.

‘til next month,

*Scott*



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### Support Team

Scott Averill  
Owner

Jill McCoy  
Administrator

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Business Office  
Manager

Kim Bogle  
Reception/Human  
Resources

Dorothy Adams  
Social Services

Tim Sullivan  
Food Services

Paul Surber  
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Services

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Carpenter  
Lifestyle Coordinator

Kristine Martinez  
Director of Nursing/  
MDS Coordinator

Jenn Blaine  
Therapy Director

Holly Manny  
Assistant DON/MDS  
Coordinator

Arlene Tomlinson  
Housekeeping/Laundry

## Welcome to WRC

JoAlice Rushlow  
Donna Bratton  
Norene Hobbs

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### ***Resident of the Month***

**Barbara Donart**

Barbara Donart was born in Lawrence, Kansas and later moved to California with her family. As a child, Barbara had polio!! She returned back to Kansas in her late teens and received her GED.

She was blessed with one child, Steve. Barbara married C.R. Donart in October of 1977. They LOVED to dance. Her family likes to say they “danced non-stop” in places like Garnett, Wellsville, Lawrence, Topeka and Ottawa.

She lived in Ottawa most of her adult life and worked many retail jobs. Her and her husband delivered medicine for Kramer Pharmacy for many years. Barbara likes to crochet and LOVES to collect antiques.

After retirement, Barbara and her husband bought an RV. They went to Texas for the winter ONE time and hated it! They had a great time in their RV traveling to Nova Scotia and to the western parts of Canada.

Barbara loves living at WRC. She says, “I have made some really great friends here and there is always something to do.”



## *And we will miss... ..*

Emma “Ellen” Miller  
Richard Riedel

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### ***Employee of the Month***

**Sarah Fender**

Sarah Fender was born and raised in Baldwin City, Kansas. She has a younger sister and an older brother. She attended Baldwin school until the 4th grade when she began to homeschool. Although she was homeschooled, she was allowed to attend band at Baldwin from 5th grade until graduation where she played the flute. In 2015, Sarah traveled to Europe with the Baldwin City High School band.

Sarah LOVES to read mysteries and wants to be a vet technician. She also plays the flute in her worship team at church.

Sarah says, “I love working with the residents and the people I work with.”



**Barbara & Sarah  
share April honors.**

## Activities: Life at WRC

April Showers brings May flowers—Greetings from the Activities dept. We are so happy to have such a wonderful staff and volunteers. Thank you for all you do to make WRC a great place to live and work. Our volunteers make such a difference in our residents' life. Because of our wonderful volunteers the residents have such a variety of activities to choose from that help fill their day. Again Thank You!

WRC'S oldest resident volunteer will celebrate her 101st birthday April 27<sup>th</sup>. Evelyn serves as our Town Council Treasurer, she makes sure we have bingo, pokeno and 5 card throw down money. Evelyn is in charge of making sure all of the paid entertainment receives their checks and the most impressive thing about our 101 year-old Evelyn is that she works out in our gym **EVERY DAY** 20 -30 minutes on the Nu Step.



### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVELYN LEVENS!!**

We have a great lineup for the month of April:

**Week 1-** April 1<sup>st</sup> 2 @ 3:00 - new entertainment Michael Hawkins  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 3:00 the return of - Rusty Rierson  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 -Jana and June  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> @11:00 join us as we journey with Scott as he shares his bike adventures  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 our weekend WOW – Johnny and Adam  
**Week 2- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00** - Man and his dog  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> @3:00 Odds and Ends  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 - Chris Foster  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 - Shirley McDonald  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 weekend WOW - Tiffany Barbee  
**Week 3** – Monday 15 @ 3:00 –Terry Baldrige  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> our weekend WOW Doc Fuller

**Week 4** - Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>@ 3:00 Jim Lovich  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> weekend WOW Wicked Strings

**Week 5-** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 Gerald Miller

We would also like to join us for any of our worship services: week 1 - United Methodist @ 1:30, week 2 @ 3:00 Faith Lutheran, week 3 @ 3:00 Wellsville Baptist, week 4 @3:00 New Hope Baptist.



Join us for our annual  
**Free Breakfast w/the Easter Bunny**  
Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 7:30 - 9:30 a.m.  
**All you can eat!!!**



**Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am**  
**HUNT WILL BE HELD INDOORS**

**AGES 0-3 SUNRISE,**  
**4-6 MEADOWLARK**  
**7-10 COUNTRYVIEW**



**4th Norma Sobba**  
**10th Frances Sink**  
**11th Evelyn Burkhart**  
**12th Thelma Roush**  
**26th Jacqueline Seyler**  
**27<sup>th</sup> Evelyn Levens—101 years old**

# Wellsville Retirement Community

304 W. 7th

Wellsville, Kansas 66092

Join us for FREE breakfast  
with the Easter Bunny.

Saturday, April 20th

Begins at 7:30am

## Spotlight #1: Cheyenne Jensen



**SPOTLIGHT #1 is on Cheyenne Jensen** who is a Certified Nurse Assistant and Certified Medication Aide in our CountryView neighborhood. She is on our weekend team and works every Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Cheyenne was born in Ottawa and raised in Pomona, Kansas. She graduated from West Franklin High School in 2014.

Cheyenne has one brother and one sister and she aspires to be a Registered Nurse in the near future.

**FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY:** Going to prom!

**3 WORDS THAT DESCRIBE ME:** dedicated, shy(at first) and motivated.

**IF I COULD TRAVEL ANYWHERE IN TIME I WOULD:** go to the time when my little brother was born – it was so much fun.

**A PERSON IN MY LIFE WHO HAS INSPIRED ME IS:** my sister who encourages me to keep doing better.

**IF I COULD HAVE ANY SUPERPOWER:** Speed!

**MY FAVORITE WAY TO RELAX IS:** Read a book.

**MY BIGGEST FEAR IS:** Failure.

**A WEBSITE I VISIT EVERY DAY IS:** Google.

**IF I COULD WAVE A MAGIC WAND AND CHANGE ONE THING ABOUT THE WORLD:** Eliminate cancer.

## Spotlight #2: Quinna Lund



**SPOTLIGHT #2 is on Quinna Lund** who is a Certified Nurse Assistant in our Meadowlark neighborhood on weekends. She was born and raised in Baldwin City, Kansas and graduated from Baldwin High School in 2017. She has a brother and a sister and plans to go to nursing school in the future.

**FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY:** Graduation.

**3 WORDS THAT DESCRIBE ME:** sarcastic, honest and fun!

**IF I COULD TRAVEL ANYWHERE IN TIME I WOULD:** back to the time when girls wore poodle skirts.

**A PERSON IN MY LIFE WHO HAS INSPIRED ME IS:** my mother –she is a hard worker!

**IF I COULD HAVE ANY SUPERPOWER:** invisibility.

**MY FAVORITE WAY TO RELAX IS:** sleep.

**MY BIGGEST FEAR IS:** public speaking.

**A WEBSITE I VISIT EVERY DAY IS:** facebook.

**IF I COULD WAVE A MAGIC WAND AND CHANGE ONE THING ABOUT THE WORLD:** everyone to get along.