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CHRISTMAS GONG SHOW!

It is with GREAT excitement that I announce our first ever Christmas Gong Show at Wellsville Retirement Community. Please mark on your calendars that Thursday, December 20 at 3:15 in the afternoon you want to be at WRC! We have traditionally held our Gong Show as a once-a-year culminating act of National Nursing Home Month. This year we decided to offer one more rendition of the Gong Show as a Christmas gift for our residents. PLEASE KNOW everyone and anyone is welcome to participate. We will again have a panel of “celebrity” judges who will have the arduous task of selecting the winning acts. Participants can perform solo or as a group. All ages are welcome and please keep in mind that judges will have ready access to the GONG! (The Gong Show is not for the faint of heart) If YOU want to participate or know of someone who would like to be part of the show, please contact me or our Administrator, Jill McCoy, at 785-883-4101.

2018 – WHAT A YEAR!!!

As we head into these final days of 2018, I find myself reflecting on the incredible year we have had at WRC. For only the second time in our history, we were acknowledged as a national award winner for “Excellence” in customer service. This acknowledgement goes to only 10% of all nursing homes in the United States. Then a few months later we received our ZERO deficiency survey

which I just recently learned is a mark of distinction earned by less than 15% of all nursing homes in Kansas. These awards are truly a reflection of the incredible staff of employees AND volunteers we have at WRC. The care we provide along with the quality of life we CREATE every day at WRC takes a group of people who are committed and dedicated to making a difference. My wife, Susan, and I are humbled and honored to be part of such an incredible team.

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2019

I am excited for the new year ahead of us at WRC. The landscape of long term care is changing dramatically at the level of our federal government. Medicare reimbursement is set to undergo the biggest change in over 20 years. The Medicaid program in Kansas is an ongoing challenge as it continues to be orchestrated by three private managed care companies. I can promise you that my staff and I are working hard to stay on top of this changing landscape. As always, I ask again for your continued feedback. PLEASE let us know how we are doing – even when we fall short of your expectations. And THANK YOU for your on-going support!!

‘til next month.....Happy Holidays!

Scott



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Welcome to WRC

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Resident of the Month

Jewell Chapman

Jewell is our “Resident of the Month” and she resides in our Sunrise Assisted Living Neighborhood. She grew up in Ottawa and has two brothers and two sisters. They always had a game of baseball going or in later years did a lot of bowling.

Jewell got married before she graduated high school and she and her husband moved to Kansas City while he attended electrical school. After electrical school, they moved back to Ottawa and raised their family of three boys and four girls. Jewell worked at King Radio in Ottawa for 18 years. During those 18 years she worked all the different shifts.

Family time was spent with all their children and their activities. She and her husband enjoyed bowling and Jewell won the Kansas State Championship in Wichita one year.

Jewell likes to sew, embroidery, and read. She and her husband made a quilt for each grandchild. She has fourteen grandchildren, twenty-five great grandchildren, and one great-great grandson.

Jewell likes all the “friendly people” here at Wellsville Retirement Community and everyone is treated so wonderful.



And we will miss...

June Hettler
Howard Eicher

Employee of the Month

Sharon Caruthers

Sharon is a Housekeeper here at WRC and grew up in the Argentine District in Kansas City, KS. Growing up in KC, KS she and her family would pack up and go camping at Pomona Lake every weekend.

Sharon and her husband moved to Wellsville in 1986 and they have seven children, and ten grandchildren. She and her husband like to go out to eat and spend lots of time with their grandchildren.

Over the years she has worked at American Eagle Distribution Center and Wellsville Market before coming to join us at WRC. Sharon says, “All the people are friendly to work with, it’s a great atmosphere, and the residents are all so nice.”



**Sharon & Jewell share
December honors.**

Greetings, It is already December! The last month of the year. We've had a full year of wonderful volunteers and staff that made WRC, the place to be!

We are looking forward to the many activities that we are going to have which include our Christmas party which will be held on the 22nd of December, at 3:00. In order to get a good seat, you must come early! The room fills up VERY quickly. For those of you that have not met Tiffany Barbee during one of our Weekend WOWs, you have missed a treat, however; she will be our entertainment for the 22nd. We will also have Santa and Mrs. Claus. This will be a great photo opportunity for families! Then join us again on the 31st at 3:00 as we toast in the New Year, 2019!

Kicking off the month is Johnny and Adam, Saturday the 1st @1:00.

Week 1:

~The Thompson Girls, Tuesday the 4th @3:00
 ~Jana Johnson, Thursday the 6th @3:00.
 ~At 1:00 Esther Raugewitz, will be here to teach us how to make Krumka. Then at 3:00 music with Sheryl McDonald.

Week 2:

~Man & His Dog at 3:00. Then Tour of Lights @6:00, Monday December 10th.
 ~Chris Foster, @3:00 on Thursday the 13th 3:00
 ~Alan Cunningham, Saturday the 15th @ 3:00

Week 3:

~Terry Baldrige, Monday the 17th @ 3:00.
 ~Music with Alligator Shoes, Tuesday the 18th @3:00.
 ~Entertainment will be with the Barbees for our Resident Christmas Party, Saturday the 22nd @3:00.

Week 4:

~ The Rooters, Thursday the 27th @3:00.
 ~ James Rojas, Saturday the 29th @3:00.

Week 5:

~New Years Party, Monday the 31st @3:00



2nd: Edna Gay
 4th: Jane E. MacGee
 17th: Sylva A. Mignot
 17th: John Palmer
 18th: Geraldine Boehm

20th: Authur D Moore
 24th: Wanda Ballinger
 25th: Norma Lollar
 25th: Edna Meyer
 28th: Lavina Daniel

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When they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts: gold, and frankincense and myrrh.

Matthew 2:11

The following item appeared in a church newsletter, and contains some good advice that will help us keep selfishness in check this Christmas:

I. Thou shalt not leave "Christ" out of Christmas, making it "X-mas." To some, "X" is an unknown.

II. Thou shalt not prepare thy soul for Christmas spend not so much on gifts that thy soul is forgotten.

III. Thou shalt not let Santa Claus replace Christ, thus robbing the day of its spiritual reality.

IV. Thou shalt not burden the shop girl, the mailman, and the merchant with complaints and demands.

V. Thou shalt not give thyself with thy gift. This will increase its value a hundredfold, and he who receiveth is shall treasure it forever.

VI. Though shalt not value gifts received by their cost. Even the least expensive may signify love, and that is more priceless than silver and gold.

VII. Thou shalt not neglect the needy. Share thy blessings with the many who will go hungry and cold unless thou art generous.

VIII. Thou shalt not neglect thy church. Its services highlight the true meaning of the season.

IX. Thou shalt be as a little child. Not until thou hast become in spirit as a little one art thou ready to enter into the kingdom of Heaven.

X. Thou shalt give thy heart to Christ. Let Him be at the top of thy Christmas list.

Anyone keeping these commandments is sure to have a blessed Christmas. -D.J.D.

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Please RSVP to Kim
before Wednesday,
December 19th if you
plan on attending lunch on
Christmas Day.

Spotlight #1: Rebecca Elkins



SPOTLIGHT #1 is on Rebecca Elkins who was born and raised in Clay Center, Kansas. She works as a Certified Medication Aide and Certified Nurse Assistant on our night shift during the week. “Becca” is married with one son who is 5 years old. Her husband builds fences for Slagle Properties. She aspires to someday be a chef!

FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY: Graduating!!!!

3 WORDS THAT DESCRIBE ME: loud, caring and attentive.

IF I COULD TRAVEL ANYWHERE IN TIME I WOULD: To the future to see my son get married and start his own family.

A PERSON IN MY LIFE WHO HAS INSPIRED ME IS: My husband!

IF I COULD HAVE ANY SUPERPOWER: To travel in time..... I'm impatient and want to get somewhere fast!

MY FAVORITE WAY TO RELAX IS: Netflix and chill.

MY BIGGEST FEAR IS: me or any of my family members being caught in a mass shooting.

A WEBSITE I VISIT EVERY DAY IS: Facebook.

IF I COULD WAVE A MAGIC WAND AND CHANGE ONE THING ABOUT THE WORLD: No more school shootings!

Spotlight #2: Misty Cannon



SPOTLIGHT #2 is on Misty Cannon who was born and raised in Lawrence, Kansas and graduated from Lawrence High School. She has been a Certified Nurse Assistant for about 8 years. Misty is the proud mother of 6 children!! She is the youngest of 3 children and is focused on raising her half dozen children who range in ages from 18 to 1 year old!!!!

FAVORITE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORY: Prom night my senior year!

3 WORDS THAT DESCRIBE ME: trustworthy, hard working and reliable!

IF I COULD TRAVEL ANYWHERE IN TIME I WOULD: to the 1950's!

A PERSON IN MY LIFE WHO HAS INSPIRED ME IS: My dad!!

IF I COULD HAVE ANY SUPERPOWER: To see the future.

MY FAVORITE WAY TO RELAX IS: watch movies on Netflix!

MY BIGGEST FEAR IS: I don't have one.

A WEBSITE I VISIT EVERY DAY IS: Facebook.

IF I COULD WAVE A MAGIC WAND AND CHANGE ONE THING ABOUT THE WORLD: More caring and peace.