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2010 National Nursing Home Week May 9-15, 2010

Every year, National Nursing Home Week is celebrated across the country. Each year a different theme is chosen and each nursing home calls upon their creative staff to find a unique way in which to celebrate. This year's theme, "Enriching Every Day", cannot solely be expressed by words alone; it takes being here – seeing and hearing life around you – to appreciate how "enriching" occurs in a long term care setting. The ability to enrich people's lives stems from seeing residents, of any age or disability, as individuals and valuable members of the community.

Papillion Manor is an intimate community, where acts of caring, kindness, and respect are the norm. Once the positive bond that naturally develops between residents and caregivers is established, residents experience not only better physical care and healing, but enrichment of the mind, heart, and spirit. These meaningful, endearing relationships are beneficial to everyone – to the residents and the caregivers who often consider each other "family".

Acts of enrichment often transcend the boundaries of the nursing home. Community involvement enriches both the nursing home and the greater community. Activities such as volunteering and visitation by people in the community foster greater understanding of the nursing home family. On the flip side, our residents and staff feel connected to the local community by meeting new friends, sharing stories, and trying new activities and even visiting new places.

"Enriching Every Day" works both ways when mutual respect is the foundation of a relationship. These relationships are found every day at Papillion Manor, as we strive to create a living environment that radiates love, peace, spiritual contentment, dignity and safety, while encouraging personal independence. We had such a great celebration of this year's National Nursing Home Week. Since we don't want to keep all these memories to ourselves, please enjoy the good times we had in this edition of our newsletter!

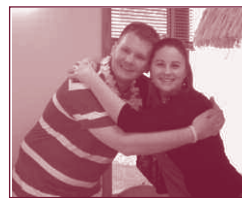


Enriching Every Day!



Papillion Manor's National Nursing Home Week Celebration

This year we decided to create a theme for each day. Our Can Do Crew and our Life Enrichment Team spent countless hours putting together all of the activities for the team members and residents. On Monday, we started the day with waffles. The residents and team members enjoyed a healthy breakfast of homemade waffles with all of the trimmings. On Tuesday, we shared our smiles and all wore yellow. PLVS came to share their LINK project with us. The DECA team helped get over 500 links together. How awesome is that! On Wednesday, we hosted the last visit with our Kindergartners this year, with the Papillion City Council, Mayor and Fire and Rescue Crews. Papillion Manor was able to present a check to the Fire and Rescue from the donations raised during our garage sale. Together the kids and crew helped us with our Balloon Lift Off to help celebrate Papillion Manor during Nursing Home Week. Thursday was Hawaiian day and we all had fun dressing in beach attire and having a scavenger hunt with our residents. On Friday, the BIG day, we held our first Papillion Manor Senior Prom, and boy was it fun. We served wine and cheese for the residents, had a great dance and a lot of laughs! The Prom was a great way to end a tremendous week. Thank you to all who helped participated and attended all of the events during this week! Without all of you we are not the family that we are!



Congratulations
to our
Senior Prom
King and Queen
Harry and Myrtle Stanley



Brandi Peterson was our special guest who introduced and crowned our Prom King and Queen. Thanks Brandi for making the day all the more special!

A Note from Roz's Desk... "Enriching Every Day"



As I have reflected on this year's National Nursing Home Week theme "Enriching Every Day", I found myself pondering what this really means at Papillion Manor. We are already known for our Quality Life and Quality Care evidenced by One Year Injury Free 2009 and receiving the Quality Life award from Vetter Health Services in 2009. However, when I began to really contemplate how we "enrich every day", that to me transcends administering medications, or giving a bath, or taking a resident to the restroom; to truly enrich the every day lives of our residents we must take time to seek to understand what is important to them and let them know they are appreciated, loved and a part of something bigger...our family!

After coming to this realization, I started to feel blessed that we have a great family here at Papillion Manor. Our loving, caring and dedicated team members enrich lives every day. I am fortunate to see it every day. As I make my rounds in the morning, I see team members sitting on the edge of a resident's bed talking and laughing together. I see a nurse offering to get an ice cream cone for a resident and share a snack together.

The most rewarding privilege for me was being able to announce to the team on Thursday, May 13th that through all of their hard work and Quality Reputation of the love and care they provided that Papillion Manor had a full house!

As so many times I am reminded that when we take time to do the Lord's will, He does bless us our efforts and that has been the very theme of this year's National Nursing Home Week for me.



In Memory of...

We are grateful for knowing the following. They have passed away but their spirits have touched our lives forever.

Paul Baburek	Irene Salamone
Virginia Binko	JoAnn Sieling
Augusta Goldax	Frances Tangeman
Charles Knudson	Everett Weston
Msgr. John Michalak	Margaret Yost
Donna Palmer	

PSALM 27:1A

"The Lord is my light and my salvation..."



Launching Into Neighborly Kindness

"*Enriching Every Day*" was the theme for 2010 National Nursing Home week, held the week of May 9th. Papillion Manor's "L.I.N.K." project (**Launch Into Neighborly Kindness**) set sail into the community asking our residents, family members, businesses, churches, schools and other organizations to join with us in this endeavor. Brightly colored paper strips were distributed for everyone to sign their name, write a comment or scripture and return them to us to form into links. Our residents (and receptionist **Megan**) then made paper chains that stretched up and down all the halls of Papillion Manor. The community response was heartwarming as hundreds and hundreds of paper strips came pouring in. As the chains were assembled, it became evident that the people in the community care about our residents (and our residents care about the community). The day of our "Senior Prom" the Papillion LaVista South student council presented their chain that was over 500 "LINKS" in length. This chain was incorporated into an entryway decoration for our prom. It was a wonderful reminder to our senior population that the youth of today still care about them. Many people visiting Papillion Manor remarked at the wonderful way the community expressed their thoughts to the residents. It is projects like L.I.N.K. that are good for all of us.



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Extra Special ACTIVITIES

JULY/AUGUST

July 14, 3:00 PM

Merrymakers Presents: Michael Lyon

August 4, 3:00 PM

Musical Entertainer Duke Zecco

August 9, 10:00 AM


Merrymakers Presents: Kim Eames

August 27, 10:00 AM

The Neals



Family members are invited and encouraged
 to attend any or all activities listed.

 This Care Facility is a Proud Member
 of the Vetter Health Services Family

Here to serve you...

Roz Burke Administrator
 Maureen Blaylock Director of Nursing
 Alissa Fay Social Service Director
 Donna Gay Life Enrichment Coordinator
 Hillary Warren Dietician
 John Love Chef
 Gayle Wright Office Manager
 Rachel Kunkle Admissions/Marketing

Bud Bunn Chaplain
 Nancy Lunsford Laundry and
 Housekeeping Supervisor
 Pete Crawford Maintenance Supervisor
 Dr. Frederick Schwartz Medical Director
 Kathy Thompson Beautician
 Jeff Hauptman Barber

MISSION: *Dignity In Life*

VISION:

QUALITY OF LIFE ✦ QUALITY CARE
 EXCELLENT TEAMS ✦ OUTSTANDING FACILITIES
 QUALITY REPUTATION ✦ STEWARDSHIP