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Again...Our Staff Steps Up in Crisis

On Friday morning, the Buffalo area was prepping for what the news reports were calling “a once in a generation snow storm.” Here at Beechwood, we were doing the same. Our storm protocols were in place and the staff was preparing to ride it out. Having to stay at work for several days in a row may not be something people are thinking when they go to work in the morning; however, in the healthcare field, we know that it comes with the territory in situations like this. We would like to say a heartfelt THANK YOU to all our staff who kept our locations running smoothly during the Christmas holiday and keeping our residents comfortable and safe.



A number of our staff ended up working from Friday morning until Sunday afternoon (which was Christmas day), including many members of our Environmental Services team. James Carroll, our Environmental Services Director, said that despite the weather and issues that arose, the team and facility worked with a sense of calm. He attributed some of that to the exceptional leadership of our administrator, Richard McCune. James' staff even had a little fun...when preparing beds for staff to sleep in, they left little chocolates on their pillows. Only the best for our staff!

There are always a few heartwarming stories that come from events like these. Nanette Jayes-Adinolfe, one of our LPN's who has been with Beechwood Homes for 30 years, was able to spend time with her grandmother, who is a resident here. Nanette spent the nights in her grandmother's recliner and when she woke up in the morning, her grandmother said to her: “I thought I had checked everything off my bucket list, but waking up to you was the best gift.” Nanette will treasure this for the rest of her life.

Nanette also mentioned that working with her co-workers was a pleasure and that the leadership was fantastic. Rich McCune, Cathy Davis and Tiffany Morgan were always available when needed.



We truly appreciate our staff and thank them all for their commitment and dedication to our residents

during such challenging times, like the blizzard of 2022, as well as every day. THANK YOU!



Happy Birthday Theresa

Meet Theresa, who recently celebrated her 104th birthday! When asked what she attributes to such a long life, she says “Good health.” According to Theresa, she was rarely sick and the only hospital stay she had was for the birth of her daughter.

Theresa grew up on the east side of Buffalo where she loved to take walks along all the streets of Buffalo that were named after the states. She had three brothers and two sisters who all grew up during the Great Depression. Theresa left high school to take a job at a local department store to help out her family. Even though her parents were not happy about it, she felt she made the right choice. In fact, it was at that job where she met her husband, William. They were married for 43 years and raised a daughter together. Theresa and William were only able to take a three day honeymoon due to work, so William said “Don’t worry, we will have many more honeymoons”, and they did! Theresa says they went on vacation every year after that.

One of Theresa’s favorite pastimes was going to the movies. This passion started with going to The Venus Show, a local theater where she watched black and white movies when she was six. It was an activity she enjoyed all her life.

Theresa is a very positive person and is thankful for her family who check in with her regularly. She says the staff at Beechwood is very caring and the meals are delicious.

We thank you Theresa for sharing your story with us.



Spreading Holiday Cheer

Beechwood's own Santa (aka Kathy Eschborn) and the elves were busy collecting, wrapping and delivering presents to the children and families of Prime Care Coordination. The mission at Prime Care Coordination is to partner with people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities to receive the services and supports they need to live their lives in the most meaningful way. Beechwood is pleased to partner with this group every year and to celebrate the Holidays with them.



On Friday, December 9, a group of residents at Asbury Pointe Retirement Community, an affiliate of Beechwood Continuing Care, put on a play reading of "Twas the Night before Christmas." The play reading was done on stage in the theater room at Asbury in front of the rest of the residents.

The production was organized and managed by residents, Anne Gayley and Marilyn Mendelson. The following residents participated: Elain Brothman, Barbara Carier, Nancy Conley, Nonnie Coover, Lila Diederich, Frank Dinan, Thomas Flanagan, Nancy Goodrich, Anne Gugino, Judy Jarmusz, Mary Ricotta, Mary Ann Sharrow, Gerry Thomas, Phyllis Vogt.



Resident Life at Beechwood



Our residents at Beechwood were thrilled when we offered special Holiday shopping hours at our gift shop. The buzz is the gift shop may be opening up on a regular basis. Stay tuned for details.



Thank you Mary Jane Doster-Gates for making and donating these beautiful and very warm fleece blankets for our residents at Beechwood. They are keeping our residents toasty warm over these cold, snowy days.



Family members are always invited to use our beautiful atrium space for family gatherings. Judy had a lovely visit (and lunch), celebrating the Holidays, with her family and friends.

Holiday Fun at Asbury

Annual Holiday dinner - fabulous meal, plentiful wine, live entertainment and lots of cheer!



Holiday play reading of "Twas the Night before Christmas."

Our residents took a trip to O'Connell & Company to see the Big Band Christmas Memories performance.

Even Pandy was in the Holiday spirit sporting his Holiday outfit.

Holiday Luncheon for Presbyterian Village at North Church Residents



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