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Youth and the Older Generation

I can recall so many stories sitting around the dining room table at my Grandma and Grandpa's house as a child. I did not always want to run and play with all of the cousins. I would rather listen to the tales of back in

the "old days". I have always been fascinated with the lifestyle before television, inside bathrooms, electric clothes dryers and many more of our modern conveniences. I learned at a very young age to respect my elders. I think this important life lesson has been lost somewhere in the busy shuffle of today's society. I remember as a young child that I was somewhat scared to go into the nursing home to visit my Great Grandfather. But I soon learned that there was nothing to fear. The residents just wanted a hug and to talk to with me. My very first "paid" job was working at the local nursing home. I soon learned that compassion, patience, respect, and genuine care and concern were all those folks really wanted from me. They did not care how quickly I served them their food or how clean I kept the floor. They wanted me to know about them and they wanted to know about me! It not only has benefits for the children, but also for our seniors. Wouldn't our world be a much better place if ALL of our youth were encouraged to spend time helping the older generation? I found this article and it reminds me that allowing our young children to spend quality time with the older generation has many advantages. Enjoy the http://standingstonecare.com/press-room/camplink. connects-youth-and-elderly/

Cindy Rapp
Vice President of Operations



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Employee Spotlight



Regina Richardson Lead LPN Craig Farms July 2010

A Note from the Administrator

Our 5th Anniversary celebration was a hit! A BIG thank you to our volunteers who participated in the skits. Our resident Bobbi Gross read a humorous poem about getting older. Some of our staff showed their musical talents as well; Missy who is our Hairdresser, Rita our Life Enrichment Director, Karolyn our Dietary Manager, & Kim our Office Manager. Can you believe we were so caught up in the moment that we took zero pictures!! We did video record the skits so if you missed it, you're more than welcome to come by and a have a good laugh with us.

As we start September Rita is leaving for vacation to go to Ireland for almost 2 weeks! Oh goodness! We wish her a safe trip. We also welcome Regina Richardson as our day shift lead LPN; she was previously our evening nurse.

Our residents want more bingo! So two of our residents are working together and will call bingo on Saturdays @ 1pm. Come out and play! Sunday afternoons in September offer many tasty treats- check your calendars for the times.

Rita has also started "Finding your Ancestors". The residents have been researching on the internet about their family history. It has been very interesting. One resident found out her dad legally had a middle name, she had no clue of! Another was surprised that her family came across the states in a wagon driven by oxen! This month she will be doing residents on halls 300 & 400. If you are interested join her on the 27th at 10am.

Family Fun Night is Friday the 28th with music by Backroads. We know it is football season with many of our families on Fridays, don't feel like you have to stay the whole time, we completely understand.

We are also working on a memorial tribute to our residents who served in the military. If you have a picture for us to copy or keep, we would like to start a picture memorial on a wall.

Bring on fall!

Shelley Bollman





This Month in History - September Germany invades Poland, starting World War II (1939)

TV soap opera Search for Tomorrow premieres on CBS. (1951)

Elvis Presley first appears on the Ed Sullivan Show. (1956)



Mary Ellen became a resident of Craig Farms in January 2010. She loves to volunteer around our community. She helps answer the phone at the reception desk, passes the birthday and get well cards around to get everyone's signature on them. She is always busy!

Resident of the Month Mary Ellen Atchison



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Senior Resources Links

- AARP
- Alzheimer's Disease Education & Referral
 Center
- <u>Illinois Dept on Aging</u>
- Illinois Health & Wellness

- <u>Illinois Healthcare & Family Services</u>
- <u>Illinois Supportive Living Program</u>
- National Council On Aging
- Social Security
- Senior Corps

Jerseyville Estates is especially designed to assist mature adults in maintaining an independent lifestyle. You'll delight in the many amenities of our community.





The Manor at Mason Woods is an attractive community in a beautiful, serene setting that provides comfort, safety and security for mature adults. We're proud to make The Manor at Mason Woods affordable and we welcome everyone.

The Manor at Craig Farms is located in a beautiful wooded setting and comes complete with a gazebo for relaxation and enjoyable conversation.





The Manor at Salem Woods is a safe, secure environment and we try to eliminate the worries which come with living alone. You and your family will have comfort in knowing that you live in this community—built just for you and your needs.

You'll be proud to call The Manors your new home too!





