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Happy
Passover Easter

JUST FOR ONE MORE DAY

By Joy Parrish

*Oh hello it's so good to see you....
I'm sorry, what's your name?
Sometimes I'm so forgetful,
But I know you just the same!
'Cause when you come to see me
You always have such a pretty smile.
Oh, I'm awful glad to see you
Won't you stay with me a while?
I get so bored and lonely
And I really don't ask for much.
Sometimes just a hand to hold,
Your gentle warming touch.
Did you bring some kids with you?
They always brighten up the place
Dancing... full of energy!
Not a wrinkle on their face!
I love it when you share with me
Your warm and fuzzy pet.
I once had a cat named Taffy...no... Tabby
Oh darn it! I forget.
Sometimes you'll have to help me...
Sometimes I talk real slow
Thank you for your patience,
And the kindness that you show.
I might have dozed off in my chair
And be sleeping when you come
But wake me up...if you can
I can sleep when day is done.
My hearing ain't what it used to be
And my visions goin' too,
But with your help I'll still be glad to play
A bingo game or two!
I may need help sometimes remembering
Things I used to know
Like...oh, you say I live here?
And to what room should I go?
Sometimes I call my son my husband...
Or my father...what a life!
I've been daughter- sister- mother
Grandmama...and wife.
My husband's been gone so long now
I miss him...I sure do.
We used to dance when we were young
And stay up way past two.
And when I hear the old songs
My mind goes back in time
And I remember all the words!
But not which room is mine!
Did I say it was so nice to see you?
Did I thank you for being so dear?
For showing me there must be a reason
Someone still cares that I'm here.
You're leaving? Oh, I'll miss you.
I've just got one more thing to say.
Thank you for giving me a reason to live...
Just for one more day.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2, 2010, the van trip is *shopping at Parma Town and Wal-Mart*.

April 9, 2010, *Casita Del Lago* in Avon Lake is the next restaurant for our Friday lunch group.

April 16, 2010, is the day to enjoy lunch at *Sugarcreek Restaurant* in Sheffield Village, Ohio.

April 22, 2010 at 11:30 am at The Normandy apartments: ***Happiness is a Choice***. No matter what trial, trauma or tribulation we face in life, happiness is a matter of perspective because “what you think is what you get.” Come to this informal discussion and learn some tips on how to change your perspective.

April 23, 2010, our plan is to lunch at the *Golden Corral* in Elyria

April 30, 2010, we are attending the *Ninety Plus Ice Cream Social* at the Rocky River Senior Center.

May 2, 2010, Harpist Jocelyn Chang and composer/flutist Michael Leese have delighted and excited audiences of all ages. They will perform their beautiful arrangements of classic, popular and folk music with their students, at Normandy Manor at 3:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to this special event.

May 9, 2010 is our *Mother's day celebration* at 2:30 pm with music from “Heart to Heart.” We hope to have a good turnout of family and friends.

PAST EVENTS

March 6, 2010, Lolita Jones shared her beautiful gospel music and spiritual reflections with the residents.

March 7, 2010, our residents were entertained by the talented young ladies from the Cannon School of Irish Dancers.

March 20, 2010, Victor Breeler entertained our residents in the main dining room as he walked around to each person singing songs and playing his guitar. He had the room full of residents singing and moving there feet to the music. They said they would like for him to come again.

March 27, 2010, Pat Tamburo entertained the residents and family guests with his accordion. He sang and played special requests leaving everyone with ‘a spring in their step.’



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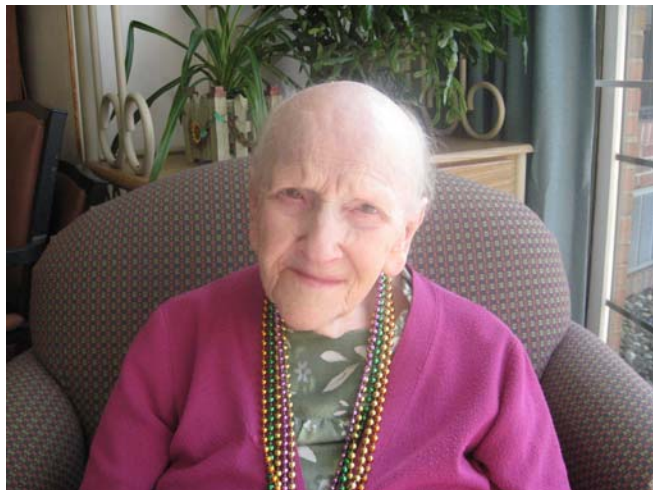
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RESIDENT OF THE MONTH

Jessie Shackelford



Jessie Louise Shackelford, was born December 4, 1916, in Buena Vista, Ohio; as the youngest of seven children, to Frank and Hattie Burnett. Jessie spent her days learning to play the piano from her mother, Hattie, who taught piano lessons in the family home. She also enjoyed making homemade fudge, noodles and jam with her sisters and singing at funerals with her Mother.

Jessie graduated from Highland High School in 1935, and married Herman Shackelford in 1937. Herman's desire to move to a "big city" brought them to Cleveland, in 1942, with their three year old daughter Anita Louise in tow. Over the next five years, Jessie and Herman's family continued to grow, to include two more daughters, Eva Jean and Sharon Lynn.

Once in Cleveland Jessie was initially a homemaker, but in 1957 she began working at May Company in the book department; retiring in 1968. She continued her love affair with downtown Cleveland shopping at Woolworths and Grants, and taking her grandchildren to Municipal Stadium to watch the Cleveland Indians play baseball. Herman Shackelford passed away in 1982.

An avid fan of Cleveland sports teams; Jessie was known to bet just one quarter on the outcome of the game of the Cleveland Browns; a fact that infuriated those watching with her. She especially enjoyed the 1948 World Series Championship.

She also enjoyed watching her soap operas; getting caught up in the lives of the Quartermaine's on General Hospital and the saga of Victor and Nicky on the Young & The Restless.

Jessie is the Grandmother of 10, Great-Grandmother of 6 and Great-Great-Grandmother of 2, with a 7th great-grandchild on the way.

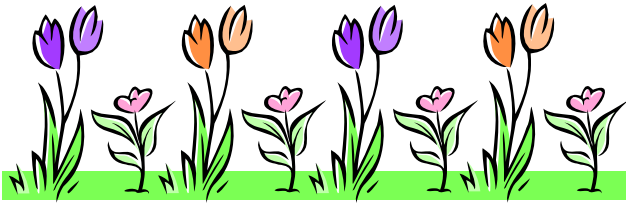
After suffering a broken hip in 2003, Jessie moved into the Kethley House, where she enjoyed playing bingo and socializing with the staff and residents alike. After the Kethley House closed their doors in 2005, Jessie came to the Normandy Manor where she remains happy and energetic. She still enjoys playing bingo and wherever there is music, she can be seen dancing and clapping to the beat.



A special thank you to Harbor Light Hospice and Megan Bean of the Normandy Manor for making arrangements so that Estelle and I could renew our wedding vows during our uncertain times.

Estelle and I are very grateful for all your attention to our needs. We both pray for all of your good health and happiness. We thank God who blessed "us" with love, life and happiness together.

George Tachuk



Congratulations

*the following employees
have received a*

“Take a Bow” award

For

April, 2010

Melody Williams, STNA

“I greatly appreciate the effort Melody puts forth on 800 hall. She goes above and beyond and always has a smile on her face. She is a true asset to Normandy Manor. Thank you for all your hard work!”

Morgan Bray, LPN

“Morgan goes beyond the call of duty. She is always willing to help her aides and fellow nurses. She has developed good relationships with residents and family members and provides top notch care. Thank you so much from your supervisor and aides. We love you Morgan.”

Deanna Firth, STNA

“Deanna is a very professional employee that really cares for all her residents. I feel secure in knowing my mother is getting superior care. Deanna remembers all those little things that can make a resident happy from special foods to always making sure mom has ice in her water. She is a nonstop worker making sure all residents are getting loving care. Employee of the month, she should be employee of the year!”

Taniphia Blalock, STNA

“T” is always willing to help on the hall when we are challenged. She is even able to get the restorative table taken care of when she helps on the hall. Thanks for your teamwork.”

Robert Nichols, STNA

“Robert is very friendly and caring. He makes sure we are clean, bedded down and always with a friendly voice and a smile. Thank you for hiring him.”

Jan Herzberger, RN

“Jan is such a caring nurse. She is always upbeat and on top of all those in her care. I sometimes think she has eyes in the back of her head. She sails through her duties with grace and speed. A dedicated nurse, I am pleased that my mother has Jan for a nurse. We’ve only known her for one month and already she is family.”

Asia Clayton, STNA

“It is so nice to be recognized and always be greeted with a smile. Asia brightens my day. Thank you for hiring such wonderful employees.”

Morgan Bray, LPN

“It is a pleasure to have such a caring nurse. She not only gives medication but takes time to answer bells, help with toileting and listens to old patients and keeps smiling no matter how she feels or how hard she works. Please show her our appreciation for all she does. Thank you.”

Deanna Firth, STNA

“Deanna does not get the recognition she deserves because people are not aware of all the little things she does on a daily basis to make her residents feel special. Even when she is hurried, Deanna takes the time to make them feel loved. I really appreciate her love and care she shows our residents.”

Mike Pachniuk, STNA

“Mike has a special way with his residents. They all LOVE him and he goes that extra mile to make them smile. When he is off, the residents always ask where he is. Not only does he keep them clean and dry but he also brings a little joy in their lives. I appreciate his caring attitude. Even though he always has to give me grief when I ask him to do things!”

Activity Staff

“I just wanted to take this time to let all of you know how grateful I am to have such a wonderful team. Each and every one of you has such special talents that you have developed in individual ways to implement the activity that you have created for our lucky residents. Your special activity, your kindness and caring ways all make a difference in the lives of our residents. All efforts are noticed. Keep up the good work!”

Joy Parrish, Music Specialist

“You did a great job covering for me when I was on vacation. Thanks for covering for Bill Campbell on Fridays and Sundays as well.”

Lori Lancaster, Art as Therapy

“The monthly newsletter is always wonderful and you do such a nice job with this project. Thanks for bringing out the talents of our residents through the expression of both your art and craft activities.”

Bridget McIntyre, Activity Assistant

“You are like a professional manicurist. The residents love the quality of nail care that you provide. You are a big help in gathering residents to the programs.”

Jill Veale, Activity Assistant

“Thanks for providing fun activities with baking. All of your hard work is noticed. Thanks for setting up the activity room for others in the department.”

Sharon Pozo, Activity Assistant

“Thanks for helping gather for other staff members programs without me asking you. You do a nice job on van trips by helping others to the bathroom, etc. The men enjoy men’s club.”

Mary Ann Bainbridge, Activity Assistant

“Thanks for helping out with surveys and voting. The residents love your memory group and the props you bring in for this program. Thanks for helping gather residents after van trips for other programs.”

Arlene Harvanec, Activity Assistant

“The residents love story hour and look forward to travel history. Thanks for coming in on Tuesday to provide Communion for the residents. This means a lot to them.”

Tiffany Maskaluh, STNA

“Tiff is so very competent always following through with taking care making sure we are all set. She is always willing to help take care of our needs. Please show her that I care for all that she does. Thank you.”

Clem Robinson and Heather Emery, STNA’s

“They went above and beyond the call of duty— putting a movie on both Monday nights in my absence and passing the cheese puffs so the residents wouldn’t have to miss their Monday night movie. Thanks guys. I’m sure the residents appreciated it and I know I did.”



*Dear Jan and the nursing staff,
Thank you so much for the care you provided my father, Ken Pretzer, during the last year. Your support and dedication meant so much to our family.*

Jan and team, you were always there for us. You kept me updated and made me feel apart of my father’s daily life at Normandy Manor. Placing my father in your care was one of the hardest decisions of my life, and you helped me deal with the regret I had that I could no longer care for him at home.

You were so caring during the last several weeks of his life, and you helped Lizzie, Samantha, and me so much. You always checked on us. You brought food to the girls as we sat at his bedside. You found me caffeinated coffee when I needed it!

It was also very comforting to have you with us at a difficult and emotional time. Thank you for everything you did for our dad and our family.



A reminder from the business office...

If your loved one has switched insurances or received a new insurance card or ID number, please let the business office know so that we have the most current information on file. Thank you for your help!

**We would like to bring
A part of your home
To our home**



Favorite family recipes wanted...

The Food and Nutrition Services would like to try your loved one's favorite recipe, please submit a copy to see if we could use it for the residents. Please give to Sandee Hebert or BJ Riegelsberger.



Our entire facility is now wired for Wi-Fi, for further information contact the Business Office.

**Residents'
April 2010
Birthdays**

♪ ♪
"Happy Birthday to You"
♪ ♪

James Norton	April 1 st
Cecelia Allen	April 5 th
Anthony Check	April 6 th
Eugene Hunt	April 11 th
Peggy Gambrell	April 12 th
Veronica Howson	April 17 th
Charlotte McDonald	April 17 th
Irene Streidl	April 23 rd
Audrey James	April 24 th
Eleanor Sutphin	April 25 th
Kitty Blom	April 26 th
Jane C. McKnight	April 26 th
Jeannette Eicher	April 29 th



Looking for some antiques!

We are in need of some unique items to use in a *special reminisce activity* during National Nursing Home Week (1st wk. of May). Any small items and/or questions, please contact the Activity Department.

The Normandy Manor Staff

Administrator	Matt Shula
Director of Nursing	Louise Darling
Admissions Director	Jessica McNeill
Activities Director	Tammy Danilovic
Administrative Assistant	Cindy Ward
Controller	David Rodgers
Dietary Manager	BJ Riegelsberger
Dietitian	Sandee Hebert
Environmental Services	Curtis Cole
Maintenance Director	Tom Sloane
Rehab Services Director	Ellen Straub
Social Work	Karen Girard Megan Bean



***"SPRING IS WHEN YOU
FEEL LIKE WHISTLING EVEN
WITH
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By Doug Larson***

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