

Hammond Nursing Home Newsletter –
August - October 2011

A Word from our Administrator



Marcus Naquin

First, I would like to thank all of our staff for a job well done during our past annual survey. It is our goal to provide the best service possible and we will continue to improve ourselves everyday.

Speaking of improving, we are very close to completing the parking lot improvements in the back parking lot and will be working on the entrance and the west side drive very soon. This project is certainly needed and will help with walking and wheelchair access completely around the building. We do apologize for any inconvenience while this project is being completed. At one point we will have a new temporary drive to the front parking lot so that we can demolish and pour our entrance. This project will allow for some additional parking as well as help with the water drainage for our building footprint.

I am also proud to announce that we have completed our generator project. The home is now under standby power for the entire building. We have already had an outage for an extended period that put the emergency power to the test. It was like we never lost power at all!

I am also proud to announce that we have been selected to receive the distinguished platinum award from EQ Health Solutions. EQ Health Solutions is the State Quality Improvement Organization that is dedicated to improving health care in our state. We were able to receive this award mainly due to our vast improvements in care related areas.

Once again, I would like to thank the staff and the residents for allowing us to improve everyday. I would also like to take this opportunity to give a few extra special thanks. Thanks to Vickie Corne. Vickie has volunteered once a week for the past four years. She has been instrumental in starting up and doing our morning exercise class on Fridays. She has been a friend and an inspiration to us all. Sadly, she and her family had to move out of the area. Truly, we will all miss you Vickie. I would also like to thank our own resident, Ralph Wiebelt, for filling in and leading the class the rest of the time. Next I would like to thank Mr. Bobby and Mrs. Lena Leblanc for their service to our residents in providing spiritual inspiration in the music that they provide.

A Word from Social Services



Sherry Schexnayder

I would like to take the time to apologize to you for not getting the last newsletter to print. I am sorry that I was unable to pull it together in time.

In this edition of our newsletter, you will find a new addition. Yes, we have decided to list our residents' birthdays. Each month we have a big birthday party for our residents complete with cake and ice cream. If you have a family member with a birthday, please try to come to the party. I am sure it would make them feel super special and I'm sure they would love to hear you sing!

In closing, I would like to thank all of our families for taking the time to speak to me when I call you on the phone. As most of you know, every quarter I am required to speak with you about the care your loved ones receive here at Hammond Nursing Home. By taking the time to speak to me, you truly make my job pleasurable. As always, if you need anything or would just like to talk to me, please feel free to call me at (985) 542-1200. Remember... I am here for you and your loved ones.

A Word from the Activity Director



Heather Hemphill

Well hi-de-ho there neighbor and welcome back to the activity department part of our community. The past months have really flown by. In February, love was in the air, as our residents sent and received balloon-o-grams and they swooned at our Valentine's Day Social. In March, the Mardi Gras crowns were passed from last years King John Coleman and Queen Helen Kirkland to the resident elected new King Ralph Weibelt and Queen Delilah Seback. We also had a fantastic Easter. Our second grade pen pals from Holy Ghost School came to visit and we colored Easter eggs. There was dye as far as the eye could see! We also had our huge Easter Eggstravaganza and it was wonderful! There was a huge egg hunt, face painting, and live music. At the end of the day, this bunny was exhausted. In May, we celebrated National Nursing Home Week where we had a Circus Day which included a balloon release, cotton candy, popcorn and more. We also had Debutante Day which included our Senior Prom and Talent Show; Country Western Day where we had an outdoor bbq, the Piggy Poopalooza and a shoot out at the ok corral; Asian Day included an egg roll race where the residents fed egg rolls to staff; and finally we had Fear Factor Friday where the residents and staff competed for prizes. A

great time was had by all. In June I got to relax a bit and in July, we had our huge 4th of July Blowout complete with fireworks. Well, that's all until next time. Take care!!!

Triton



Therapy

Hello from your Therapy Department! We are very impressed by all the progress being made by our residents! We hope you have all had an awesome summer! We are always open to any questions you may have concerning your family members progress in therapy. Please feel free to stop in to talk with us. Thanks to all of our hard working residents and their involved families!

Calendar of Special Events

****Note****

Scheduled events are subject to change.

August -	6 -	Tom Cat Entertainment Karaoke
	11 -	Elvis Social
	15 -	Pajama Party
	27 -	Resident Birthday Party
	30 -	Luau
September -	5 -	Labor Day Party
	16-	Fiesta (Mexican Independence Day
October -	21-	Chili Cook-off

22- Fall Festival
 31- Halloween Party &
 Costume Contest

Nugene Smith Oct 19
 Mary Sienkiewicz Oct 20
 Delilah Seback Oct 20
 Velma Hoover Oct 29
 Huey Ronquille Oct 29

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



RESIDENTS:

August: David Hendrix Aug 4
 Helen Milton Aug 5
 Steve Meunier Aug 18
 Willie Thomas Aug 18
 James Williams Aug 28
 Wilfred Cambre Aug 29

Sept: Shirley Holmes Sept 3
 Mary Webster Sept 5
 James Seiber Sept 7
 Mary Wagner Sept 8
 Viola Vining Sept 10
 Charles Holden Sept 10
 Gloria Jones Sept 10
 Joan Otto Sept 11
 Earl Rousso Sept 17
 Gregory Glover Sept 23
 Karen Thompson Sept 23
 Paul Singleton Sept 24
 Clara Forrest Sept 24
 Ray Hughes Sept 26
 Sue Matherne Sept 28
 Charles McKay Sept 28
 Martha Jones Sept 29
 Victor Melancon Sept 29

October: Ruby Williams Oct 6
 Audamese French Oct 16

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