



# AMBERWOOD

Care

Centre

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## Department Heads

Julie Logan: Administrator

Becky Pearce, RN: Clinical Director

Samantha Bancy, RN: Assistant Director of Nursing

Lu Franseen, LPN: MDS Care Plan Coordinator

Thomas Motley: Medical Records/ Central Supply

Nakia Johnson: Concierge Director

Jodi Naser, LPN: Restorative Director

Alicia Pearce: Director of Admissions

Ruth Merriett, RN: Assistant Director of Nursing/ MDS Coordinator

Angel Rach: Social Services Director

Mary Durrenberger: Activities Director

Jennifer Buchanan: Business Office Manager

Paul Pearce: Maintenance Director

Tessa Watson: Marketing Director

Danyell York: LPN, Treatment Nurse

Steve Pahnke: Director of Dietary

Dawn Jackson: Housekeeping/ Laundry Supervisor

Chris Peters, RN: New Beginnings Alzheimer's Director

## GREETINGS

Greetings to our Amberwood Friends and Families!

Now that the weather has turned cold and our New Beginnings Heating and Air Conditioning Upgrade is complete,

we have turned the heat on. There is always a new project being worked on in our building!

If you haven't seen it yet- stop by our therapy department and see our new therapy equipment. We have some terrific equipment that has helped our residents make greater strides in mobility, balance and strength and there are always smiles galore as we pass the therapy room.

Our resident families in New Beginnings have been working on their memory boxes outside the room doors. They are so creative and capture the fondest memories and interests of the residents. If someone needs ideas or assistance in developing the memory box for their loved one- please see Nakia Johnson, Concierge Director.

The change of seasons is a great time to clean closets and change out warm weather wear for fall and winter clothing. Please make sure all clothing is marked with the residents name in an inconspicuous area. You can stop at the front desk for a permanent marker if you need assistance. The front desk also has a supply of missing items forms if something gets sent to the laundry and does not return right away. Please be as specific as possible (size, color, description) so we can track those items and return to the rightful owner.

As always, don't hesitate to stop in and see me if you have any questions.

Regards, Julie Logan





## Walk to End Alzheimer's



Another year and another Amberwood team created to help in the fight against Alzheimer's disease. Although it was bright and early on a Saturday morning and a bit chilly at that, our staff and Joan (resident) made the three mile hike to show our support. We raised money by putting on a Taco Day Fundraiser at our facility that turned out to be a great success. With full bellies from the taco's and heart's filled with compassion for those dealing with this disease, we joined together to show we care.



## Check out our new Therapy Equipment!



# What We've Been Up To



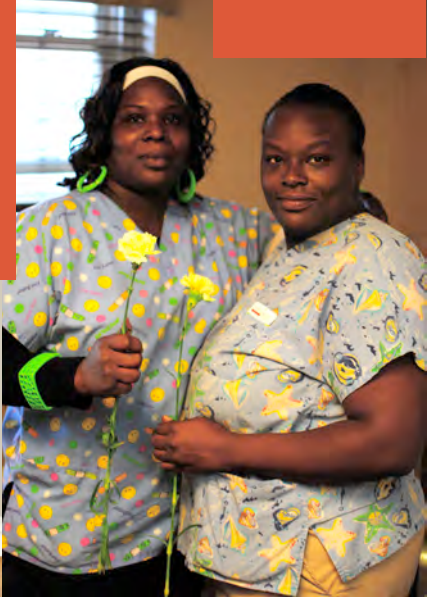
*We held our Fall Memorial Service in honor of those that have gone before us.*



*Georgia shows off her hand crafted bird feeder that she and other residents made out of recycled soda bottles to hang in the courtyard.*



*Becky greets people as they visit Amberwood's Booth at the Senior Expo*



*Amber participates in our Taco Day Fundraiser and loads up with some tasty toppings*



*A fun game of Tick-Tack-Toe keeps our brain sharp and focused.*



*Winston shakes his Tambourine during Music Hour.*



Get to Know Your

NEIGHBOR



Name: Linda L

Hometown: Sterling, IL

Family: Two older sisters

Favorite Activities at Amberwood: Bible Study, Bingo, and Poker

Resident at Amberwood:

2 1/2 Years

Secret to Longevity:

God's Grace

Favorite Season: Fall because of all the pretty colors

Animals: Growing up had a parakeet named "Niki" and a few baby chicks

Just For Giggles

What do you call a witch that lives on a beach?

- a Sand witch

Why was the jack o lantern afraid to cross the road?

-It had no Guts

What instrument do skeletons play?

-A Trombone

What do ghosts eat for breakfast?

Boo Berries

What do birds give out on Halloween?

Tweets

Upcoming Events

October 25<sup>th</sup>:

Apple Orchard Trip

October 31<sup>st</sup>:

Halloween Party, Dog Costume Contest, Trick or Treat

November 10<sup>th</sup>:

Seminar on "Care for the Caregiver"

Happy Birthday!

10/1- Alvin B.

10/2- Lena M.

10/3- Eugene L.

10/4- Mike B.

10/11- John J.

10/18- Gene N., Alaina B., & Ruth D.

10/22- Grace R.

10/25- Kay T.

