

April 2022

'Recognizing Those Who Care'

Empire Heroes for April

Cartersville



Beatrice Baiden

Orange Park



Jorge Gonzalez

Nancy Hart



Haley Isom

The Meadows



Mary Hunt

Fayetteville Center



Pernel Wright

Canton



Teresa Saye

West Orange



Akissi Aka

Powder Springs



Dorine Abram

Fulton Center



Brittney Tucker

Normandy



Wilda Medina

Riverdale



Angela Turner

Congers



Rita Thomas

Jackson



Kim Ridley

McDonough



Nick Swinton

Renaissance



Cordelia Williams

University



Vickie Lynch

A Message from Linda Mackey, Administrator at McDonough Center for Nursing and Healing

Hello and Welcome to April!!!! think we are all happy to welcome in springtime- a time to stop and renew and take in the beauty of nature. Take a deep breath and smell how much fresher it is than the air in the wintertime. It looks better, it smells better and the warm air on our bare arms feels better. Spring is also a time to adjust our mindset. What do I mean? As the skies turn from grey to blue and the sun shines, so should we. We should take stock of ourselves; how we are feeling and make a concerted effort to alter the trajectory of our lives for the better. We should talk to people nicer, hold the door for someone, say hello to the person in line at the grocery store- just because. I hope you feel this, too. Please take the time to smile more, laugh more and find the goodness in people. We can apply this to our home life and to our work life!! Let's make this part of our personal spring cleaning. Spring is a time when we can put the dark, dreary winter behind us and look forward to more sunlight and warmer days. Many of us have had our annual surveys recently. So, this is also a time to refresh with new guidance of what we need to do to improve our processes, our systems and our focal points. As a company, let's take this time to put even more focus on our residents. Let's all make it a point to always take a minute to say something cheerful to everyone we pass in the hallways. They deserve our A game every time they see us. Please ask yourself, "If that was me, how would I like to be treated?" and then, provide that treatment to our residents. They deserve it and we deserve to enjoy that quality time we get to share with them in those brief encounters of cheer!! Appreciate all you do to provide an excellent quality of life for our residents.





New Faces

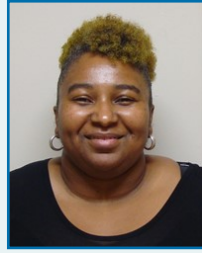
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Jackson



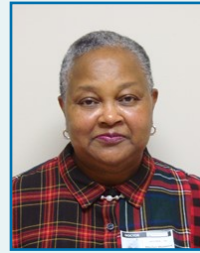
Christine Price

Christine joins our Jackson team as a Housekeeping Aide. She was born in Atlanta, GA. **Christine** has 1 son and 2 daughters. Welcome to Jackson Center.



Leora Warren

Leora joins our Jackson team as a MDS Coordinator. She has 23 1/2 years experience in healthcare. **Leora** was born in Eatonton, GA. She is married and has 2 sons, 3 daughters and 1 grandchild. In her spare time **Leora** enjoys baking, cooking, catering, and spending quality time with family, and listening to music.



Marilyn Watkins

Marilyn joins our Nursing Department as a LPN Treatment Nurse. She has 35 years experience in the healthcare industry. **Marilyn** was born in Virginia Beach, VA. She has 2 sons, 1 daughter and 2 grandchildren. In her spare time **Marilyn** enjoys watching TV, Bible study with Pastor Dennis and Arnold Murray.



Temeka Standifer

Temeka joins our team at Jackson Center for Nursing and Healing as a PT CNA. She has 2 daughters. In her spare time **Temeka** enjoys watching TV. Welcome to our Jackson Center family.



Keith Wagner

Keith joins our Maintenance Department as a Transportation Provider/Maintenance Assistant. He has 8 years experience in the healthcare industry. **Keith** was born in Atlanta, GA. He is married and has 2 daughters. In his spare time **Keith** enjoys playing videos, and vending magazines, doing crossword puzzles, watching sports and movies.



Lisa Vann-Akin

Lisa joins our team as a Housekeeping Aide. She has 7 years of healthcare experience. **Lisa** was born in Winder, GA. She has 2 daughters. In her spare time **Lisa** enjoys spending time with her girls, her cats and rats, reading, going on a hike to search for stones, and playing video games. The beach is her happy place.



Kyleigh Dismukes

Kyleigh joins our Nursing Department as a TNA. Welcome to our Jackson Center for Nursing and Healing family.



Travis Faulk

Travis joins our Maintenance Department as an Assistant. Welcome to our Jackson Center for Nursing and Healing family.



Michelle Donahue

Michelle joins our Jackson Center for Nursing and Healing team as a CNA. Welcome to our Jackson Center family.



Cartersville



Andre Howell

Andre joins our team as our Administrator. He has been in healthcare for 12 years. **Andre** was born in Columbus, GA. He is married and has 1 daughter. In his spare time **Andre** enjoys watching college football and visiting historical places.

Chandra joins our team at Cartersville as a Nutritional Services Assistant. **Chandra** was born in Cedartown, Ga. She has 3 sons and 1 daughter. In her spare time **Chandra** enjoys watching football and basketball as well as shopping, cooking, and traveling.

Chandra Johnson

Michelle joins Cartersville as a Physical Therapist in our Therapy Department. She has 22 years experience as a Physical Therapist. **Michelle** was born in Springfield, OH. She is married and has 1 son and 2 daughters. In her spare time **Michelle** enjoys baking, gardening, hiking, and time on the lake.

Michelle Belden





New Faces

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Fayetteville



Theresa Rhamsoroo

Theresa joins our Nursing Department as a PRN LPN. She has 11 years experience in the healthcare industry. **Theresa** has 2 daughters. In her spare time **Theresa** enjoys cooking, traveling, and gardening.



Sabrina Tyer Mbaye

Sabrina joins our Fayetteville Center team as a RNSDC. She has 30+ years experience in healthcare. **Sabrina** was born in Brooklyn, NY. She is married and has 1 son and 1 daughter. In her spare time **Sabrina** enjoys reading, cooking, and helping others.



Ginette Altine

Ginette joins our Fayetteville Center team as a PRN CNA. She has 30+ years experience in healthcare. She is married and has 1 son and 2 daughters. In her spare time **Ginette** enjoys watching TV, and listening to the news.



Jephthe Prunier

Jephthe joins our team at Fayetteville Center as a PRN LPN. He has 14 years of healthcare experience. He is married and has 1 son and 6 daughters. In his spare time **Jephthe** enjoys traveling and spending time with his family.



Timothy Canada

Timothy joins our team as a PRN LPN. He has 12 years of healthcare experience. **Timothy** was born in Jackson, MS. He is married and has 1 daughter. In his spare time **Timothy** enjoys reading, doing puzzles, visiting museums, fast cars and motorcycles.



Alice Speight

Alice joins our Therapy Department as a COTA. She has 20+ years experience in the healthcare industry. **Alice** was born in New York, NY. **Alice** has 2 sons twins. In her spare time **Alice** enjoys spending time with family and taking trips out of the country.



Elizabeth Nzyoka

Elizabeth joins Fayetteville Center as a PRN RN in our Nursing Department. She has 20 years experience in the healthcare industry. She is married and has 1 son and 3 daughters. In her spare time **Elizabeth** enjoys watching movies and traveling.

National Pecan Day



April 14th

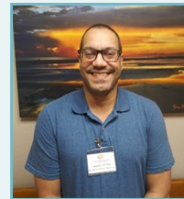


The Meadows



Mayelin Palacios

Mayelin joins our Nursing Department as a CNA. She has 1 year experience as a CNA. In her spare time **Mayelin** enjoys singing, music and staying at home.



Angel Perez

Angel joins us as our Business Office Manager. He was born in Brooklyn, NY. In his spare time **Angel** enjoys the beach, amusement water parks, baseball, hockey, and spending time with friends.

Easter - April 17th



Easter is a Christian holiday that celebrates the belief in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In the New Testament of the Bible, the event is said to have occurred three days after Jesus was crucified by the Romans and died in roughly 30 A.D. The holiday concludes the "Passion of Christ," a series of events and holidays that begins with Lent - a 40-day period of fasting, prayer and sacrifice - and ends with Holy Week, which includes Holy Thursday (the celebration of Jesus' Last Supper with his 12 Apostles, also known as 'Maundy Thursday'), Good Friday (on which Jesus' crucifixion is observed) and Easter Sunday. Although a holiday of high religious significance in the Christian faith, many traditions of associated with Easter date back to pre-Christian pagan times.





New Faces

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Canton



Aireanne Clarke

Aireanne joins our MDS Department as our MDS Coordinator/LPN. She has 15+ years experience in the healthcare industry. **Aireanne** was born in Rome, GA. She has 2 sons. In her spare time **Aireanne** enjoys spending time with her boys and boyfriend.



Shiera Douglas

Shiera joins our team at Canton Center as a PRN CNA. She has 7 years of healthcare experience. **Shiera** was born in Poughkeepsie, NY. In her spare time **Shiera** enjoys swimming and dancing.



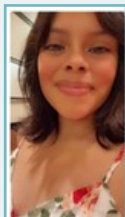
Tyra Washington

Tyra joins Canton Center as a CNA in our Nursing Department. She has 4 years experience in the healthcare industry. **Tyra** was born in Charlottesville, VA. In her spare time **Tyra** enjoys swimming, going to the gym, hanging out with friends and sleeping!



Serah Maina

Serah joins our team at Canton Center as a PRN RN. She has 12 years of healthcare experience. **Serah** was born in Nairobi, KE. She is married and has 1 son and. In her spare time **Serah** enjoys walking her pet at the park, being at home with her family, watching movies and listening to music.



Elena Miguel-Felix

Elena joins our Nursing Department as a Unit Manager/RN. She has 3 years experience in the healthcare industry. **Elena** was born in Stewart, FL. She is married and has 1 son. In her spare time **Elena** enjoys spending time with family, watching movies, reading and going to the park.

Pastene joins our Canton Center team as a Dietary Aid/Cook. She has 10 years experience in healthcare. **Pastene** was born in Atlanta, GA. She has 2 sons and 1 daughter. In her spare time **Pastene** enjoys being a mommy!

Pastene Bradley

William joins our team as a Maintenance Director. He has 6+ years experience in healthcare. **William** was born in North Hampton, MA. He is married and has 1 son and 1 daughter. In his spare time **William** enjoys boating & spending time with family.

William Burke

Powder Springs



Tequila Buckmeir

Tequila joins our team as our Unit Secretary in our Nursing Administration Department. She has 3 years experience as a Unit Secretary. **Tequila** was born in Talladega, AL. She is married and has 3 daughters. In her spare time **Tequila** enjoys working on school work and spending time with her children.



Rhonda White

Rhonda joins us as a CNA. She has 29 years experience. **Rhonda** was born in Pensacola, FL. She is married and has 1 son, 2 daughters and 3 (1 girl, 2 boys) grandchildren. In her spare time **Rhonda** enjoys spending time with her family, hanging out with her grandchildren, and watching good movies.



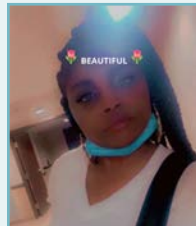
Uzomaka Okonkwo

Uzoamaka joins us as a RN. She has 6 years experience. She has 1 son and 3 daughters. In her spare time **Uzoamaka** enjoys reading, listening to music, community development, dancing, and gym activities.



Vincentia Abedu

Vincentia joins our team as a CNA. She has 16 years healthcare experience. She is married and has 2 sons and 1 daughter. Welcome to our team.



Monita Swopes

Monita Swopes joins our team as a Dietary Aide. She has 15+ years healthcare experience. **Monita** was born in St Louis, MI. She is married and has 1 son, 3 daughters and 4 grandchildren. In her spare time **Monita** enjoys cooking.



Destinie Jones

Destinie joins our team as a Social Worker. **Destinie** was born in Buffalo, NY. She has 1 daughter. In her spare time **Destinie** enjoys spending time with her daughter, dog and traveling.

Florence joins our Housekeeping Department as a Housekeeper. She has been a Housekeeper for 10 years. In her spare time **Florence** enjoys shopping!

Florence Karpheh

Shana joins our Housekeeping Department as a part-time Housekeeper. She was born in Powder Springs, GA. **Shana** has 1 daughter. In her spare time **Shana** enjoys cooking, doing nails and hair, playing and spending time with her daughter.

Shana Jennings

Tashika joins our team as a PRN MDS Coordinator. She has 23 years of experience. **Tashika** was born in Phenix City, AL. She has 2 sons and 4 grandchildren. In her spare time **Tashika** enjoys traveling and spending time with her family and especially her grandkids.

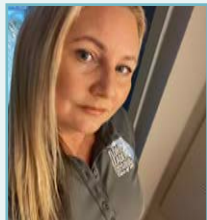
Tashika Parker



New Faces

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Normandy



Andrea Hingson

Andrea joins our Normandy team as our Administrator. She has been in healthcare for 20 years. **Andrea** was born in Ft Myers, FL. She has 1 son and. In her spare time **Andrea** enjoys going to the gym, kayaking, and being outdoors.

Daniel joins our Nursing Department as a RN. He has 30 years experience in the healthcare industry. **Daniel** is married and has 3 sons and 2 grandchildren. In his spare time **Daniel** enjoys spending time with family and playing the drums.

Daniel Bernard

Labria joins our team as a PRN Dietary Aide. She has 3.5 years healthcare experience. **Labria** was born in Mt. Pleasant, TX. She has 1 daughter. In her spare time **Labria** enjoys spending quality time with her daughter.

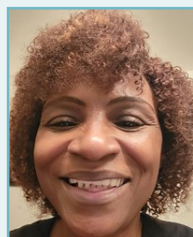
Labria McBride

Riverdale

Latifah Coleman

A warm welcome to our new Dietary members joining our Dietary Department. We are glad you are a part of our Riverdale Center family.

Camiel Miller



Angela Crocker



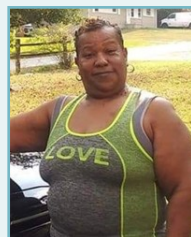
Yalselia Fuller



Sarah Robbins



Ytrica Edwards



Bertha Holloway



Ttaiwan Brown

A warm welcome to **Ttaiwan** who joins our Riverdale Nursing team as a weekend receptionist.



Gloria Andrews-Battles

A warm welcome to **Gloria** who joins our Riverdale Nursing team as a DON.

Orange Park

Lakisha joins our team as a CNA. She has 13 years experience **Lakisha** was born in Tampa, FL. She is married and has 2 sons and 1 daughter. In her spare time **Lakisha** enjoys spend time with her family.

Lakisha Mickles

Evelin joins our team as a member of our Laundry Department. **Evelin** was born in El Salvador, SM. She has 2 daughters. Welcome to our Orange Park Center family.

Evelin Bonilla

Taquia joins our team as a part-time CNA in our Nursing Department. She has 10+ years experience. **Taquia** is one of our previous employees who missed us all she came back to work with us as a PT CNA! Welcome back Taquia!

Taquia Lomax

Yolande joins our team as a CNA. She has been a CNA for 10+ years. **Yolande** was born in Port Au Prince, HA. She is married and has 1 son, 1 daughter and 1 grandchild. In her spare time **Yolande** enjoys shopping, reading, and watching TV.

Yolande Saint Jacques

Rosa joins our team as a PRN Housekeeping Aide. She has 1 son, 1 daughter and 1 grandchild. In her spare time **Rosa** enjoys working and doing housekeeping.

Rosa Mejia

Cleete joins our Nursing Department as a CNA. She has 10+ years experience as a CNA. Welcome to our Orange Park Center family.

Cleete Dorestin

Dalaungwa joins our team as a CNA. She has 20+ years experience as a CNA. **Dalaungwa** was born in Jacksonville, FL. She has 2 sons, 2 daughters and 8 grandchildren. In her spare time **Dalaungwa** enjoys relaxing and spend time with her family.

Dalaungwa Cullers

Sheila is one of our previous employees who loved working with us so much she decided to come back as a Part-Time CNA. Welcome back to Orange Park Center!

Sheila Johnson

Elizabeth joins our team as a Housekeeping Aide. She is married and has 2 sons and 1 grandchild. In her spare time **Elizabeth** enjoys dancing and cleaning.

Elizabeth Jaramillo





New Faces

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West Orange



Fatmata Sesay

Fatmata joins our West Orange Center Department as a full time receptionist. In her spare time, **Fatmata** enjoys reading and cooking. Welcome to our West Orange team!



Tiffany Crawford

Tiffany joins our West Orange Center Department as a Personal Care Assistant. In her free time she enjoys playing sports such as basketball and tennis. We are thrilled to have her here. Welcome to our West Orange Center family.



HematKumar Bhikam

HematKumar joins our West Orange Department as a Maintenance Assistant. He has 3 years of experience in maintenance work. **HematKumar** is from Guyana but now lives in Florida. In his spare time **HematKumar** enjoys working out at the gym. We are thrilled to have you apart of the West Orange team.



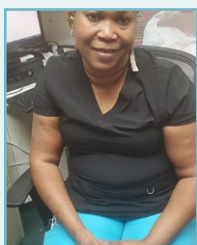
Sheila Dabrezil

Sheila joins our West Orange Center team as a CNA. She has 17 years of experience . In her spare time **Sheila** likes to decorate especially with flowers. We are glad you are part of our West Orange family.



Ruby Kaur

Ruby joins our team as a PRN Activities Assistant. In her free time she enjoys listening to music. Welcome to our West Orange Center for Nursing & Healing family.



Marie Bety Idely

Marie Bety joins our West Orange Center for Nursing & Healing team as a Personal Care Assistant. Welcome to our West Orange Center for Nursing & Healing family.



Sharon Latulippe

Sharon joins our team as a Nutrition Service Manger. She has five years of experience in the nutrition field however, she is bringing 20 years of experience as a chef. She has 4 children and is originally from Seattle. We are happy that you are part of our West Orange family.

Elsa joins our team at West Orange Center for Nursing & Healing as a PRN Receptionist. Welcome aboard!

Elsa Duffy

Yeale joins West Orange Center for Nursing & Healing as a full-time LPN. She enjoys working with elderly people. We are happy that you have decided to join our family.

Yeale Jallah

Soralis joins our team as a PRN Receptionist. In her free time **Soralis** enjoys learning about astrology. Welcome to our West Orange Center for Nursing & Healing family.

Soralis Garcia

Easter Traditions

Happy
Easter

In western Christianity, including Roman Catholicism and Protestant denominations, the period prior to Easter holds special significance.

This period of fasting and penitence is called Lent. It begins on Ash Wednesday, and lasts for 40 days (not including Sundays).

The Sunday immediately prior to Easter is called Palm Sunday, and it commemorates Jesus's arrival in Jerusalem, when followers laid palm leaves across the road to greet him.

Many churches begin the Easter observance in the late hours of the day before (Holy Saturday) in a religious service called the Easter Vigil.

In Eastern Orthodox Christianity, Easter rituals start with the Great Lent, which begins on Clean Monday (40 days prior to Easter not including Sundays). The last week of Great Lent is referred to as Palm Week, and it ends with Lazarus Saturday, the day before Palm Sunday.

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, which ends on Easter.

April Birthdays

Jackson

- 3 Shelia Williams
- 10 Ashley Walker
- 11 Tiondra Callejas
- 19 Chassity Humphreys
- 20 Kim Ridley
- 27 Michelle Kabat



Fayetteville

- 7 Nyisha Hutchinson
- 9 Michael Hernandez
- 12 Kenyatta Harris
- 13 Theodosia Gidimadjor
- 14 Toyin Ogunkanmi
- 25 Hellen Sakwa
- 25 Marlene Darbouze



Powder Springs

- 1 Paula Wright
- 1 Belinda Hampton
- 1 Julie Dioh
- 2 Janet Lovett
- 6 Nnenna Ogbonnaya
- 8 Reniel Pierre
- 9 Ifeoma Onyia
- 9 DeVonne Berry-Williams
- 10 Linda Butler
- 10 Fidelia Nwanochie
- 12 Grace Oni
- 12 Cheryl Berardi
- 12 Horace Bayol
- 13 Emme Bethea
- 13 Comfort James
- 13 Charles Edokpa
- 15 Nickia Anderson
- 15 Lydia Anyan
- 16 James Omosa
- 17 Maria Harris
- 21 Michelle Romes
- 22 Novelette Leon
- 22 Dalila Deans
- 24 Denise Massey
- 29 Andrew Johnson II

Conyers

- 4 Vivene Moore
- 7 Sonia Cissoko
- 8 Chesnel Augustin
- 8 Cassandra Mayala
- 11 Verquishala Smith
- 17 Shawona Scott
- 21 Dolsie Hylton
- 25 Reagan Mattison
- 25 Gideon Algara
- 25 Nicole Perkins
- 27 Meggan Anderson
- 29 Coral Hutchinson
- 30 Patricia Harris



Renaissance

- 7 April Dinkins
- 12 Amanda Bratton
- 15 Satinia Gilbert
- 22 Lakeitha Fountain



The Meadows

- 1 Mayelin Palacios
- 6 Sandy Campbell Ruane
- 15 Awino Salvani

McDonough

- 1 Disheka Robinson
- 5 Waazor Nwidag
- 6 Olajide Okunrounmu
- 8 Twyla Johnson
- 11 Dwaniqque Dieudonne
- 14 Winnie Lee
- 14 Madjeen Louissaint
- 24 Terrance A Williams
- 28 Eric Randolph
- 29 Raycine Harps
- 30 Ethel Goggins



Cartersville

- 3 Ashley Jones
- 10 Elishiba Kamau
- 10 Calyn Chase
- 16 Andre Howell
- 18 Courtney Tyner
- 20 Beatrice Baiden
- 28 Agustina Contreras
- 28 Roxanne George



Riverdale

- 5 Gladys Ashu
- 6 Bonnie Gray
- 9 Ulrike Manza
- 14 Cassandra Wesley-Wilson
- 14 Jamillah Ingram

Fulton Center

- 7 Shycara Johnson
- 7 Elizabeth Olumoko
- 8 Lynda Orange
- 8 Brittney Tucker
- 16 Regina Blackshear
- 26 Vilma Stinson



Nancy Hart

- 2 Suzette Salazar
- 5 Reshaunda Moore
- 29 Patty White Burton

Normandy

- 6 Avril Arthurton
- 7 Konosha Allen
- 10 Mary Arington
- 14 Exalus Justilien
- 26 Krystopher Sheehan
- 26 Mary Craig
- 29 Emma Konotey
- 29 Nidia Chisanga



West Orange

- 11 Tatisha Ellis
- 21 Yves Guerrier
- 21 Sakelus Foster
- 22 Peoria Lacey
- 22 Tiffany Crawford
- 25 Marie Daout
- 29 Chandra Lewis

University

- 6 Catherine Jackson
- 9 Shannon Sweringen
- 11 Kevin Callaway
- 15 Danielle Gatson
- 23 Stephany Bebout



Canton

- 24 Calistra Paul
- 26 Tamika Nicholson



Happy Birthday



Supervisor Shout Outs

JACKSON



Thank you, **Lebreda**, for your leadership during these trying times in the Environmental Services Department. You have juggled so much lately with your administrative duties with interviewing, hiring, working in the laundry, making sure our patient rooms are ready for new admits as well as our current patients are happy with the cleanliness of their rooms. You have handled it all with grace and with a smile. Thank you, **Lebreda**.
~ Julia Ann Walklett



Jackie, Thank you for your true dedication to this facility. It doesn't matter what the task, **Jackie** is willing to take it on. She truly loves Jackson and it is evidenced by her willingness to step in whenever and wherever needed. **Jackie**, you are truly appreciated!
~ Julia Ann Walklett



Laura, Thank you for stepping up and rearranging your hours to get the agency staff in the time clock.
~ Julia Ann Walklett



Paul, Thank you for all that you do for our residents and facility. You are appreciated.
~ Laura Carlson



Shanice, Thank you for all your hard work with the activity department and our residents. You Rock!
~ Laura Carlson

CONYERS



Maxine is a very dedicated CNA. She does an exceptional job caring for her residents. Thanks for all you do **Maxine**!!
~ Kathy Nicholas



Ms Kates has been at Conyers for quite awhile. As a CNA she has worked above and beyond for the residents. She gives great care and helps ensure their environment is clean and clutter free. Thanks for all you do!
~ Kathy Nicholas

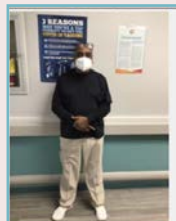


Ms. Kiara Lott is one of our professional receptionists. She is such a pleasant person who does her job well and always with a smile, no task is too big. Special thanks to **Ms Lott** for making the daily activities announcements. Thanks for all you do!
~ Kathy Nicholas

FULTON CENTER



Ms. Cynthia is a gem in our building! There isn't anything she wouldn't do for the residents or the staff. She is always in good spirits and never misses a chance to dance! I truly appreciate her and all that she does.
~ Tierra Bailey



Special thanks to **Victor Smith**, our Wound Care Nurse. He is always going above and beyond what is expected. Thanks for all you do.
~ Activity Dept



Charquavis, thank you for always helping in the activity dept.
~ Activity Dept

Seder Meaning



On the first two nights of Passover, families and friends gather for a religious feast known as a seder or the Jewish holiday.

During the meal, the story of the exodus from Egypt is read aloud from a special text called the Haggadah (Hebrew for "telling"), and rituals corresponding to various aspects of the narrative are performed. For example, vegetables are dipped into salt water representing the tears Jews shed during their time as slaves, and bitter herbs (usually horseradish) symbolizing the unpleasant years of their bondage or eaten.

A seder plate at the center of the table contains Passover foods with particular significance to the exodus story, including matzo, bitter herbs, a lamb shank bone and a mixture of fruit, nuts and wine known as charoset, which represents the mortar Jews used while bonding bricks as slaves in Egypt.

Other typical menu items include matzoh kugel (a pudding made from matzo and apples), poached fish patties called gefilte fish and chicken soup with matzo balls.

Children play an important role in the seder and are expected to take part in many of its customs. At one point during the meal, the youngest child present recites the four questions, which asked what distinguishes the special night from all other nights.

Supervisor Shout Outs

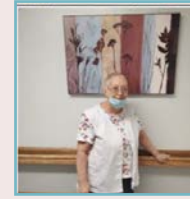
CARTERSVILLE



To our **Kitchen Staff** - Thank you to our devoted **Kitchen Staff** for all the hard work you put in everyday! **Marissa**, you have done a great job taking on leadership in the kitchen. You all make a difference in the lives of others daily. Something simple as a meal to us might seem small, but for our residents it's much greater, as it's one of the fewest things they look forward to daily. And you all make it happen. You provide wonderful meals and service to each resident. Everyone is easy to work with when residents are asking for a meal change, whether it is portion enlargement or modification. The kitchen is very welcoming to the staff when we need to get these particular items. As long as we do what you all ask by washing our hands and putting on a hairnets. Thank you all for your respect and good deeds! You rock! Great teamwork!
~ Courtney



Jade Johnson, one of our great agency nurses. She enjoys her work and is always assisting her CNA's with her residents. We truly appreciate you thank you so much for all that you do.
~ Recreational Department



A big shoutout to **Barbara Burger**, our Unit Manager for the 100 hall. Thank you so much, you are awesome.
~ Recreational Department



National Pretzel Day



April 26th

UNIVERSITY



Big shout out to **Susie Lacey** our BOM/HR who works super hard and is super sweet and dedicated to everyone here!. She just started with us a few months ago and has been working hard since she arrived! Our team notices all your hard work and we all really appreciate all you are doing.
~ Team University's

NORMANDY

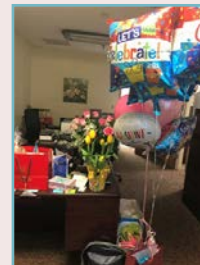


Thank you **Jorge** for going above and beyond as our Maintenance Director. You are always willing to lend a helping hand where needed and do your best to keep this building running. We appreciate you!!
~ The Normandy Team

FAYETTEVILLE



Almoni has been in the Activity Department a short time, but she has stepped up like a pro. Her assessments are timely and she offers new ideas or a way to "change things up". Our residents have come to depend on her when they need someone, even if it just to listen to them. Residents will stop by her office to see if she is working and ask "can I talk to you a minute". **Almoni** also helps when needed at the receptionist desk, answering phones and assisting new visitors with the check in process. As her supervisor I really appreciate her work ethics and willingness to try anything for the residents. We are glad to have her at Fayetteville Center.
~ Margaret Helman



Thank you to **all of the staff** for reminding me that I am appreciated and for helping to refill my cup (metaphorically and literally....lol). I know that I don't often show it when my cup gets empty but I truly appreciate your acts of kindness. All the PINK....You know I absolutely LOVE PINK! I could not do what I do without each of you. I am thankful each day for you. Thank you!
~ Kawanna Robinson



Easter Eggs



Irrespective of denomination, there are many Easter time traditions with roots that can be traced to non-Christian and even pagan or non-religious celebrations. Many non-Christians choose to observe these traditions while essentially ignoring the religious aspect of the celebration.

Examples of non-religious Easter traditions include Easter eggs, and related games such as egg rolling and egg decorating.

It's believed that eggs represented fertility and birth in certain pagan traditions that pre-date Christianity. Egg decorating may have become part of the Easter celebration in a nod to the religious significance of Easter, i.e. Jesus' resurrection or re-birth.

Many people, mostly children, also participate in Easter egg "hunts", in which decorated eggs are hidden. Perhaps the most famous Easter tradition for children is the annual White House Easter Egg Roll, when children wrote Easter eggs down Capitol Hill.



Supervisor Shout Outs

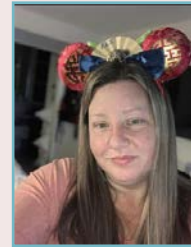
RENAISSANCE



Glentavious, we just want to tell you how appreciative we are of all your hard work. You have come to our team and hit the floor running! You are always there when we need you and your heart is filled with compassion for all of our residents! Thanks for all you do!
~ Prachi Elmore

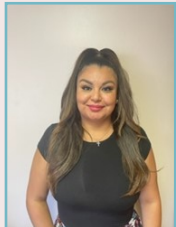


Ms. Joan, thank you so much for the way you care for our residents. Your hard work and dedication towards our residents is greatly appreciated! Thank you for always going above and beyond!
~ Prachi Elmore

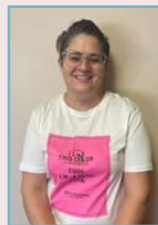


Melissa, thank you for all you do for the facility. Always looking out for "what if". I really do appreciate all your hard work and the effort you put to make our facility function in one cord!
~ Prachi Elmore

THE MEADOWS



Rosie, our Marketing Director has been a very positive and census-driven employee at the Meadows. She is dedicated, and very passionate about our residents' activities and their well-being. She is always ready to catch on camera any great moments that our dear residents are enjoying to post them on social media. Thank you, **Rosie** for your passion and dedication to our facility and our dear residents. We applaud you sincerely!
~ Jean Marc Ulysse



Mary, our MDS Coordinator at The Meadows has been an outstanding MDS GURU. She is very dedicated, committed to the success of this facility. She goes beyond the call of duty. Thank you, **Mary** for all your assistance and continued effort. We appreciate you and are very pleased to have you part of our Dream Team at The Meadows!
~ Jean Marc Ulysse



Ethel, thank you for all you do on 11-7 shift! We really are so appreciative of your assistance!!! Thank you for all you do!
~ Javier DON

MCDONOUGH



Shout out to **Sabrina** for helping in so many ways! She picks up a lot of extra shifts as a CNA and works the toughest halls without ever complaining! You are so appreciated!! Thank you!!
~ Linda



Shout out to **Gail** for being such a trooper! She is a great CNA and is always willing to help! I appreciate your patience and kindness.
~ Linda



Shout out to **Nick** for always being willing to help out!! You have always been willing to do anything I have asked and that really helps me out a lot!! Thank you for all you do!
~ Linda



Shout out to **Dee**! Thank you for always turning in your Empire Care Partner reports! I can always count on you to have all your reports in and on time! I can't tell you how much I appreciate all you do for the residents! Thank you!!
~ Linda



Shout out to **Kim**, for all your hard work and for all the shifts you pick up as a CNA!! We will miss you very much in the business office! You have worked very hard and I appreciate that!!
~ Linda

Supervisor Shout Outs

CANTON



Thankful to have **Judy** on our Housekeeping/Laundry Team. She is always willing to pick up extra shifts and does it with a smile on her face!
~ Teresa Saye



Katherine, Thank you for always going above and beyond while providing therapy.
~ Jim Irwin

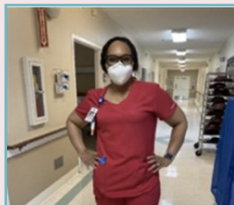


Kelly, Thank you for being so devoted to our Center.
~ Chantale Sanon

POWDER SPRINGS



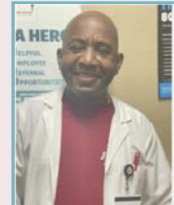
Whiema, I want to give you a big shout out! Thank you for everything you have been doing since you joined my department. You are so helpful and very dependable. You always pay attention to detail and it shows in your work. You are doing a great job on West Wing. Your residents are very appreciative of everything you do for them! I cannot express how thankful I am for you.
~ Keith



A huge shout out to **Sherry** for being so positive and kind to your co-workers and especially to your patients! You are delightful to be around and always go the extra mile with your residents. You are a really good CNA and we love having you here. Team Powder Springs wants to thank you.
~ Perri Eichenlaub

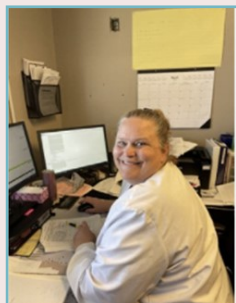


Barbara, thank you for everything you do in Dietary, from picking up extra shifts and just being there when your teammates and residents need you. We want to give you a big thank you. This shout out cannot express how thankful we are for you and the rest of the Dietary staff. Ya'll rock! Keep up the good work.
~ Team Powder Springs



Camille, Team Powder Springs wants to give a huge out to our Wound Care Nurse **Camille**! **Camille** is so kind and pleasant to work with. He is very dependable. **Camille**, Thank you for all you do! We really appreciate you here. Especially the residents, when ever we need you you drop everything and hop on a cart. Words cannot express how much we appreciate you.
~ Team Powder Springs

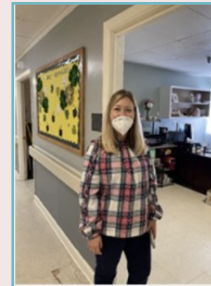
NANCY HART



Vicki, thank you for taking time out during the week to look over care plans again.
~ Sarah



Thomas, thank you for coming in running. You been teaching and fixing whatever you find without asking questions.
~ Sara



Heidi, thank you so much for going above and doing everything you know to do so we will be deficiency free.
~ Sara

Although April Fools' Day, also called All Fools' Day, has been celebrated for several centuries by different cultures, it's exact origins remain a mystery.

Some historian speculate that April Fools' Day dates back to 1582, when France switched from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar, as called by the council of Trent in 1563.

People who were slow to get the news or failed to recognize that the start of the new year had moved to January 1 and continued to celebrate it during the last week of March through April 1 became the butt of jokes and hoaxes.



Supervisor Shout Outs

ORANGE PARK



Heather - A HUGE shout out to our amazing Admissions Director. **Heather** has been working so hard to get the census up and now we can all proudly say our census is 94 and holding! She is doing a fantastic job at admissions!!! We so greatly appreciate her and all she does!
~ Kristen Stafford



Jasmine - I don't know where I would be without **Jasmine**! We are the dream team! I love working with her every day and she is doing the best job as BOM and HR! We are so happy you came to work with us because you truly are the BOM!
~ Kristen Stafford

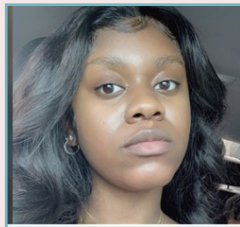


We are all so truly blessed to have an Administrator like **Ena**! I have never worked for such an awesome, supportive and capable Administrator as her! She does so much for all the staff, residents, and family members and we cant thank her enough! GO TEAM!
~ Kristen Stafford



Darryl is our CDM for the facility and he works so incredibly hard in his department! He comes in on his off time to ensure his staff has the support they need and is more than happy to do whatever the building needs! He works way harder than is expected of him and we are so very greatly to have such an amazing Dietary Manager!!
~ Kristen Stafford

WEST ORANGE



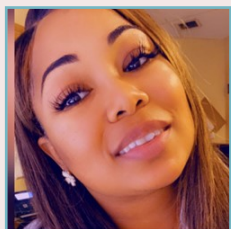
Alexis, we are happy that you joined this wonderful team as the new Unit Manager. You came and owned this unit like a champ! I am so proud of you! I see great things in the future for you. You are a blessing, and we appreciate you.
~ Akissi Aka



Department Managers - Shout out to Central Florida's finest!! You all are a very special group of humans and I want to thank you for all that you continue to do day after day. You are truly appreciated. You always ensure that Quality Care is always being provided to our residents!!
~ Marie Kamara



Sharon - Thank you for coming in and making such a positive impact in our Dietary Department. We truly appreciate your expertise and admire your positive attitude. You are a hard worker and you are truly appreciated!!
~ Marie Kamara



Ebony - Leadership looks great on you . You carry it with elegance and class! Thanks for all you did when I was not there and all you do even when I am here ! Yes you are a real trooper, the one piece missing in failing system and I can proudly say I have that piece with you ! Thanks again for all you do.
~ Akissi Aka



Derrick - It has been great having you as part of our clinical team. Thanks for all you do for our staff and residents.
~ Akissi Aka



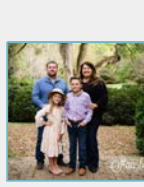
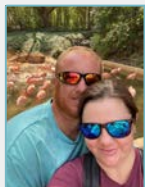
Our Rehab Team - This team is unbelievable! You guys are amazing to work with and always put our patients first.
~ Artarshia Joseph DOR



Jackson

Shout Outs

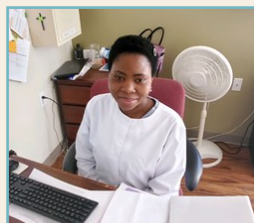
- ✱ To **Christy Simmons** from Linda Eskew - Sending a big shout out to Christy for always being a professional nurse and truly showing care and concern.
- ✱ To **Erica Owens** from Carolyn Fennell - A huge, loving shout out to the better half of our department, Erica. She is my friend, my confidant, my partner in crime, my support and cheerleader on those stressful days we all have. There's only 2 of us left in Social Services now, but we got it going on and hold down the fort here, together. We love our residents and our co-workers at Westbury of Jackson!
- ✱ To **Joye England** from Laura Carlson - Thank you for all that you do for us. You are appreciated on the highest level.
- ✱ To **Janeen Fish** from Julia Ann Walklett - Thank you for stepping up and helping out in dietary!
- ✱ To **Bonnie Scott** from Carolyn Fennell - Simply said, we are blessed to have you back as our Dietary Consultant! You're awesome at what you do. Your loyalty and compassion for our residents surpasses all expectations. We love you Bonnie!
- ✱ To **Kim and Sonya** from Shanice Daniel - No matter what is asked of you, you always go above and beyond. Thank you for always putting our residents first and doing it with a positive attitude!
- ✱ To **Michelle Donahue** from Erica Owens - We are SO happy to have you back!!
- ✱ To **Travis Faulk** from Laura Carlson - Welcome to our Westbury Family. We are so happy to have you on our team.
- ✱ To **Shadrika Griffin** from Erica Owens - I had a resident tell me "y'all better hang on to her. She is absolutely one of the best!" Thanks for all you do!
- ✱ To **Keith Wagner** from Joye - Welcome and thank you for driving for us!!! You are TRULY appreciated.
- ✱ To **Janeen Fish** from Julia Ann Walklett - Thank you for stepping up and helping out in Dietary!
- ✱ To **Leora Warren** from Carolyn Fennell - Welcome to our facility as our new Medicare and MDS Coordinator! Glad to have you with us!
- ✱ To **Travis Faulk** from Erica Owens - Welcome!!
- ✱ To **Mattie Gilbert** from Shanice Daniel - Thank you for always helping out when you are needed. You always ensure that our residents comes first.
- ✱ To **Melissa Allen** from Laura Carlson - Thank you for having a positive attitude and a kind heart. You are a pleasure to work with.
- ✱ To **Angela Cochran** from Linda Eskew - Sending a big shout out to Angela for going the extra mile with little things that mean a lot to the patients. Angela does so many things without ever being asked, she knows her residents.
- ✱ To **Teri Boothe** from Laura Carlson - Thank you for all your hard work and dependability. We truly appreciate YOU!
- ✱ To **Teleigh Crowder** from Julia Ann Walklett - Thank you for stepping up and helping out in Dietary and in Staffing.
- ✱ To **All my friends** from Joye - Thank you to all my old, and new, friends who make difficult days a bit easier. Sometimes just a smile makes all the difference. Thank you for hanging in there.
- ✱ To **Joye England** from Julia Ann Walklett - You are truly a lady of many talents! Thank you for showing those hidden talents by helping in the kitchen. You are truly appreciated!
- ✱ To **Michelle Kabat** from Joye - Thank you for answering all my emails! I appreciate you giving me time you don't have!!
- ✱ To **Keith Wagner** from Erica Owens - Welcome!!
- ✱ To **Julia Ann Walklett** from Joye - Thank you for coming back and staying with us!!
- ✱ To **Jackie Brooks** from Joye - It is SO great to have you back here. Thank you for all your help!!
- ✱ To **Faith Hardy** from Laura Carlson - Thank you for all that you do at the front desk for residents, employees, visitors and family members. I know it can get overwhelming at times. You rock!!
- ✱ To **Faith Hardy** - Thank you for all your help with many so different things. You are so good at all the things you do!
- ✱ To **Kim Ridley** from Dena Roach - Thanks for getting new residents in the door and tested. Always a smiling face.
- ✱ To **Teri Boothe** from Erica Owens - You ALWAYS go above and beyond and it doesn't go unnoticed!
- ✱ To **Leora Warren** from Joye - Welcome. Looking forward to working with you!!
- ✱ To **Dena** from Shanice Daniel - Dena, Dena, Dena thank you for all you do. We appreciate your efforts, your hard work, and determination. Not only on this day we appreciate you, but we appreciate you everyday!
- ✱ To **Angela Q.** from Faith Hardy - It's the little things that are so much appreciated. A big thank you!
- ✱ To **Ikella Watts** from Dena Roach - Thanks for your awesome teamwork and nursing leadership! A prime example of a TRUE NURSE!
- ✱ To **Keith Wagner** from Laura Carlson - Welcome to our Westbury family. We are so excited about you joining our team.
- ✱ To **Laura Carlson** from Shanice Daniel - Thank you for always lending a hand. We know we can always count on you to help. We appreciate you!!!
- ✱ To **Erica and Carolyn** from Shanice Daniel - Erica & Carolyn, thank you for always being there for our residents. The leadership that you both display is amazing and it shows. We appreciate your patience, efforts, and compassion when caring for our residents.
- ✱ To **Temeka Standifer** from Laura Carlson - Welcome to our Westbury family. We are excited that you have joined our team.
- ✱ To **Mattie Gilbert** from Julia Ann Walklett - Thank you, Mattie for so many things. You are always willing to step up wherever needed. You really saved the day with your scrambled eggs! Thank you, Mattie!
- ✱ To **JuliaAnn And Team** from Renee Ellis - We are extremely proud of you and your team for a great annual survey!!! Thanks for providing exceptional service to our customers.
- ✱ To **Joye England** from Laura Carlson - Thank you for all your help in the business office. Answering the phones, printing reports, reconciling, transportation, talking with families and handling the "Need now!" requests that never end. You are much appreciated!
- ✱ To **Jennifer Vasil** from Dena Roach - Congratulations on being named Butts County Employee of the Year @ the annual Chamber event. You have provided leadership in many areas, and as you continue on your journey may you be blessed to guide others.
- ✱ To **A'mareiah Jackson** from Erica Owens - Welcome!!! We are so happy to have you!
- ✱ To **Crystal Baxter** from Carolyn Fennell - It goes without saying how I feel about this nurse, my friend. You're kind, cool, compassionate and I sincerely appreciate you Crystal Baxter!
- ✱ To **Pattie Joyner** from Julia Ann Walklett - Thank you for coming in with such a cooperative spirit. You have truly shown your dedication to teamwork as you have stepped in wherever needed--washing dishes, passing meds, cleaning shower rooms, updating care plans, or working as Unit Manager..



A FEW OF OUR SHOUTOUT FOLKS

HEROES OF EMPIRE CARE CENTERS

Cartersville Center for Nursing and Healing

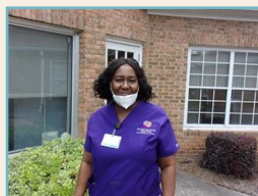


Beatrice Baiden



Congratulations to our Director of Nursing, **Mrs. Beatrice Baiden** for being Cartersville's Hero of the Month. **Mrs. Baiden** is beyond deserving of this honor. Her commitment to the residents and the entire staff at Cartersville is evident. There is not a single day that goes by that **Mrs. Baiden** does not demonstrate her leadership and dedication by going above and beyond. She regularly and without issue, will work a Med Cart, assist with Admissions and is always ready to lend a helping hand to any staff member who may need it. Through everything **Mrs. Baiden** does for and with us daily, she does it all with a smile on her face and kindness in her heart. We are truly honored to have **Mrs. Baiden** as our Director of Nursing and equally honored to name her Cartersville's Hero of the Month.

Fayetteville Center for Nursing and Healing



Pernel Wright

Congratulations to **Pernel Wright** for being Fayetteville's Hero of the Month. **Pernel**, one of our CNA's, is consistently given kudos by members of our Resident Council, the residents and family members on her hall. **Pernel** has been with our Fayetteville Center family for over 16 years. She has mentored new employees and is always willing to help her fellow floor staff. During her off time she spends time with her family and even joined us at our bowling date night. She is quiet, but dedicated to her residents and their care, making sure they are always comfortable. We are proud to have her on our team. Well done **Pernel**.

The Meadows Center for Nursing and Healing



Mary Hunt

Congratulations to **Mary Hunt** for being selected as Our Hero of the Month. **Mary** has been with The Meadows for over 3 years. Her outgoing enthusiasm with our residents and staff is Amazing. She has been working in the activity dept., but has recently got her CNA license to help with other needs. **Mary** goes above and beyond with residents and family needs. She can be found in the Lido dining room making colorful pancakes and waffles, as well as singing and dancing to the hit tunes of Frank and Dean. **Mary** is the person who can entertain a room full or have a one on one with someone who needs a little more attention. Thank You **Mary** for ALL you do and Congratulations on being chosen for Our Hero of the Month.

Westbury Center of McDonough for Nursing and Healing



Nick Swinton

Our Hero of the Month is **Nick Swinton**! **Nick** is loved by families, residents and staff! He has made a big impact on Westbury Hall!! He has been a nurse for just over a year and he likes "the gratitude of helping people. I like that my actions help people, helps them feel better". He started with us in December after spending ten years in the Navy. He was moved all over the country and deployed twice, once to Romania and once to Afghanistan. He grew up in Flint, Michigan and moved to his new house in Georgia in September. He loves Georgia!! **Nick** has three children, ages 5 through 8. We are very lucky to have Nick in our building! He is a great asset!

Fulton Center for Rehabilitation



Brittney Tucker

While she is being recognized as our Hero of the Month, **Brittney** is a hero every single day. She is a wife, mother, nurse and leader. Each hat she wears is worn with poise and humility when she walks through the doors of Fulton Center. Her presence and compassion for her staff and residents is remarkable. There is not a time or day that she cannot be called on to handle anything for anyone. **Brittney** is more than our DON. She is our family and an integral part of this facility. We are beyond fortunate to have her as a very knowledgeable clinician on our team and look forward to what she adds to our future in this facility.

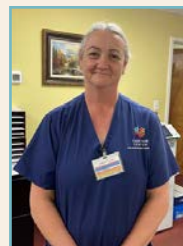
Renaissance Center for Nursing and Healing



Cordelia Williams

Congratulations to **Ms. Cordelia** for being our Hero of the Month. **Ms. Cordelia** has been a CNA at Renaissance for a very long time. The care that **Ms. Cordelia** provides to her residents comes from compassion and empathy. **Ms. Cordelia** takes her time with all her residents and she always goes above and beyond for the care she provides for her residents. **Ms. Cordelia** not only builds a relationship with the residents that she care for but also with the resident's families. **Ms. Cordelia** has a heart of gold and it shows in the way she provides care! **Ms. Cordelia** is an amazing asset to the Empire Care facility.

Canton Center for Nursing and Healing



Teresa Saye

Teresa Saye is our Hero of the Month. **Teresa** has dedicated the last 13 years to our residents by working in many capacities including Maintenance, Laundry, Housekeeping and Dietary. **Teresa's** official title is Housekeeping/Laundry Supervisor, but she never hesitates to help when she is asked. She is truly dedicated to the facility and our residents. **Teresa** has created a fun work environment for those who work in her department while maintaining consistency for the facility. **Teresa** is appreciated and loved by all staff and residents of Canton Nursing!

Orange Park Center for Nursing and Healing

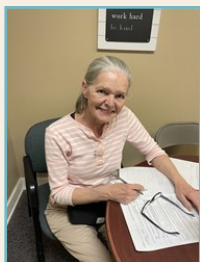


Jorge Gonzalez

Jorge is a new LPN to us as of January but he sure makes it seem like he has been working for us for years! The level of dedication he shows just proves to everyone how committed he is to our facility, his co-workers, all the residents and their families! He goes above and beyond every day picking up shifts, working with therapy to ensure all departments are on the same page with the residents and is such an amazing help to his CNA's on the floor! He is willing to do any job big or small and we are so proud to have him as a part of our team. **Jorge** you are such an amazing nurse, thank you for everything you do!!!

HEROES OF EMPIRE CARE CENTERS

Powder Springs Center for Nursing and Healing



Dorine Abram

Team Powder Springs is excited to announce our Hero of the Month, **Dorine Abram**! She is apart of our Housekeeping team. **Dorine** has been at our facility for a month now and she has been a positive change that we needed! She is so respectful and goes above and beyond. She helps out where ever and when ever she is needed, from cleaning offices to helping pass out trays. Everything you do **Dorine**, is not going unnoticed. We are so grateful to have her as a part of our team. Words cannot express how much we appreciate you. Congratulations **Dorine**! Keep up the good work.

Nancy Hart Nursing Center for Nursing and Healing



Haley Isom

Congratulations to **Haley** for being Nancy Hart's Hero of the Month. Haley has returned to the Nancy Hart family, we welcome her with open arms and. She has a lot to contribute and has also been an asset to the facility. She is a CNA as well and currently is helping out in Housekeeping. She is willing to help in the other areas as well. She is hard working and we are proud to have her back as a member of the Nancy Hart family. Once again welcome back.

Normandy Center for Nursing and Healing



Wilda Medina

We are pleased to announce **Wilda Medina** as our Hero of the Month. She is a truly valued member of our team who we would like to thank for all her hard work and dedication to our residents and our team here! Throughout the years we have had the opportunity to work with many people but you stand out in your commitment to excellence. We admire your strong work ethic and integrity! She has gone above and beyond to help out on the floor and in activities and we appreciate it. Thank you for all you do!!

Westbury Center of Jackson for Nursing and Healing



Kim Ridley

Congratulations to **Kim Ridley**, Activities Assistant, on being chosen as the Hero of the Month for Westbury Center of Jackson. **Kim** has served the residents at Jackson for 20 years. She is a very resolute team member and is willing to help wherever needed. Whether it's helping infection control with testing, folding linen in the laundry, mopping, or emptying trash with housekeeping, assisting maintenance with tasks, or working on the floor as a CNA, **Kim** rises to the occasion. All the residents love **Kim**. She brings enthusiasm and positivity to her daily work. **Kim** is the first to always welcome new employees. Her infectious smile is her trademark. **Kim** is truly a Godsend to Westbury Center of Jackson. Thank you, **Kim**, for all you do. You are our Hero!

Riverdale Center for Nursing and Healing



Angela Turner

Angela is our amazing Wound Care Nurse! She is always looking for ways to help those around her! One of our residents admitted with some very challenging wounds and the resident said **Angela** was the one who healed her legs. Residents will often hunt her down and say I know my dressing change is not scheduled, but can you please come and take a look at it for me. **Angela**, will not leave the building until she has helped them. It is believed that they enjoy her company more than really needing the nurse's attention. **Angela** loves every inch of what she does! She helps with med pass and running a cart, putting in admission orders and making sure the residents are welcomed, Social Services and completing assessments, administration and customer service concerns and she also assist in interviewing new associates. If someone says they are overwhelmed, she is there to lend a helping hand. Most would not believe it, but she has only been a nurse for two years!

West Orange Center for Nursing and Healing



Akissi Aka

Our Hero of the Month is **Akissi Aka**! She is the Director of Nursing at West Orange. This brilliant woman has an outstanding work ethic and ensures that the facility is in top shape for the residents, visitors and the staff. She embodies what it truly means to be a leader. **Akissi** deserves her flowers and the recognition for her hard work. **Akissi** is not only detail oriented but is knowledgeable about the field and is a team player. She has an amazing attitude that inspires others to do good even when they think no one is watching. She has a passion for nursing and doing good towards the patients. The West Orange team truly appreciates you and you are deserving of this honor. We couldn't have asked for a more amazing, intelligent and super hard-working DON. Congratulations on being West Orange Centers Hero of the Month!



Westbury Center of Conyers for Nursing and Healing



Rita Thomas

Rita Thomas is the Food Services Manager at Westbury Center of Conyers for Nursing and Healing. Although she has been employed with Westbury Center for over 39 years, she does not let her passion for food services falter. She has the zeal of a new hire, and the residents, families and staff appreciate her. **Rita** was nominated by her peers and the residents to receive the honor of being Hero of the Month. The co-workers appreciate her expertise and her willingness to share knowledge with others as she assists regularly with training new managers. The residents and families appreciate her patience and attention to detail to ensure that their loved ones enjoy every meal. Congratulations, **Rita**.

University Center for Nursing and Healing



Vickie Lynch

Congratulations to **Vickie Lynch**, in Housekeeping for being our Hero of the Month. **Vickie's** hard work and positive attitude towards all she does does not go unnoticed. We are blessed to have you as part of our University family. You are a pleasure to be around, making everyday the best for our residents and employees. We appreciate all you do. Thank you for making our Housekeeping Department the best. Way to go!

Conyers

Shout Outs

- ★ To **Delta Ellison** from Sheryl James - Our rehab unit is always on point thanks to housekeeper Delta Ellison. Our new admissions are greeted with sparkling clean rooms. What's more, Delta is the Queen of room turnovers. When a patient discharges, she immediately starts prepping the room for our next admit without prompting. Thank you Delta for helping us stay on our toes.
- ★ To **Lorna Myles** from Sheryl James - We just love Ms. Lorna! She has the sweetest demeanor and keeps our common areas 'so fresh and so clean, clean.' Thanks to her we make a good first impression, starting with our curb appeal.

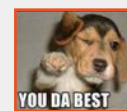
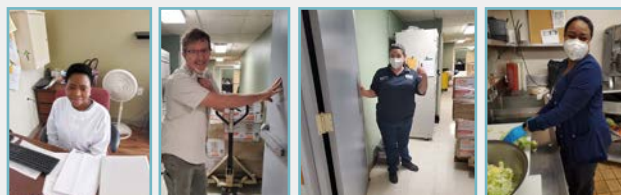


Cartersville

- ★ To **Lead Nursing Team** from Michael Ostrozynski - Thank you for the hard work in process restoration.
- ★ To **Tressa Brown** from Recreational Department - Always there to lend a helping hand. When our team needs you. Never complain and has a humble heart.
- ★ To **Tressa And Barbara** from Hope Calaway - Thank you both for doing a great job. Always listening and willing to do what it takes to ensure our patients are taken care of.
- ★ To **Sarah Horton** from Hope Calaway - Thank you for always being willing to step up to help me when needed, taking on extra responsibilities. I appreciate you.
- ★ To **Roxy, Housekeeper** from Activities - Thank you for assuring the sanitation and cleanliness of the center, you always have a smile on your face and do a great job! Keep up the hard work!
- ★ To **Michael Davis** from Recreational Department - Thank you for being a great maintenance person. You are always needed and always coming to our rescue.
- ★ To **Ashlee And Ira** from Renee Ellis - Amazing admissions day!!! You guys are keeping our beds filled!!!
- ★ To **Ryan Ellis** from Renee And Gladys - Thanks for the amazing referral. We hired a new Food Service Director for Cartersville!!!! #Teamwork
- ★ To **Beatrice Baiden** from Recreational Department - Mrs. Baiden is our active Director of Nursing at this time. She is a wonderful and kind person. She has no problem working on the carts, assisting with admissions and helping her department out. She also stays late until everything is completed for that day and time. This is Cartersville Nursing SUPER HERO of the Month. We love you and thank you for all that you do.

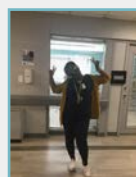
A shoutout from our Resident Council

- ★ To **Roena Turner** from Resident Family - Wonderful services provided to a new admission!



Fulton Center

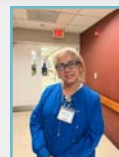
- ❖ To **Fulton Center Staff** from Michael Ostrozynski - Great to be back with the winning team. I really missed y'all.
- ❖ To **Housekeeping Staff** from Valencia C - Thank you for stepping up and doing what is asked of you. Can't do this without you all. Keep up the good teamwork.
- ❖ To **Kitchen Staff** from Michael Ostrozynski - Great job at preparing those meals for our residents. Getting many compliments about how good it is. Much appreciated!!
- ❖ To **Cynthia Turner** from Michael Ostrozynski - Keep up the good work!! Residents really love you!!
- ❖ To **Michael Ostrozynski** from LaTanya Brown - Welcome Back Mike! You were greatly missed by all of us!!!!
- ❖ To **Latanya Brown, Director Of Admission** from Activity Dept - Thank you for all you do on a daily basis, you Rock
- ❖ To **Tierra Bailey, ADON** from Activity Dept - Best dress for our Mardi Gras party!
- ❖ To **Valencia Commodore Housekeeping Manager** from Activity Dept - Thank you for always helping when needed!
- ❖ To **Fulton Center** from Activity Dept - Mardi Gras celebration.
- ❖ To **Therapy Dept** from Activity Dept - Thank you to our Therapy team.
- ❖ To **Team Fulton** from Activity Dept - Team Fulton ROCKS.
- ❖ To **China Skipper, Social Services Director** from Activity Dept - Team player it is, girl, you rocking and rolling!
- ❖ To **Joe & Rachel** from Darryl - Congratulations on being Restore Champions.
- ❖ To **Therapy Staff** from Michael Ostrozynski - Thank you for working hard to close this quarter with a good CMI.
- ❖ To **Quinnethia** from Michael Ostrozynski - You make me proud to have a Business Office Manager like you. Keep up the good work.
- ❖ To **Fulton Center** from Activity Dept - It's always good to have visitors.
- ❖ To **Therapy And Nursing** from Activity Dept - Thank you for all your hard work.



University

Shout Outs

- ✦ To **Todd** from Connie - Thank you for paying for a residents hair cut.
- ✦ To **Stephany** from All Staff - Stephany, you have been a wonderful DON. You are a great team player! You will be greatly missed. Best of luck in your future endeavors.
- ✦ To **Maryoris Angel Bello** from Connie - Please welcome our new Wound Care Nurse.



A shoutout from our Resident Council

- ✦ To **All Staff** from Resident Council - The resident council would like to compliment Shannon in therapy. Davi in house keeping. Vicky in house keeping and Sanel house keeping manager. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication to our facility.

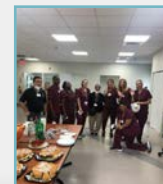


Fayetteville

- ❖ To **Shana Calloway** from Dorrett Green - Wish I could give you Hero of the Month every month, a true team player. I am so grateful to have you as a co-worker. You are awesome
- ❖ To **Kawana Robinson** From !Dorrett Green - Not many Administrators go above and beyond like you do. You put those pumas on and jump right in and that's why I am still here. You are a true team player and you drive me to be better.
- ❖ To **Housekeeping and Laundry De** from Lamar Tatum - I want to thank everyone for the awesome job you guys have done . Thank you for all you do and keep up the good work!
- ❖ To **Mackenzie Wendell** from Kelley Colyott/DOR - You are an amazing therapist and ready to step up and conquer any task presented to you!!! Thank you for all you do! You are loved by all your patients and everyone here in the Therapy Dept!!!!
- ❖ To **The Entire Rehab Team** from Kelley Colyott/DOR - To an Awesome Group! You guys are an incredible team to work with. You care about our patient's beyond what is required and do your best to ensure everything is done for them to meet their goals and return home!! You ALL make work more enjoyable!!!!

Shoutouts from our Resident Council

- ❖ To **Housekeeping** from Resident Council - Jessica from the Housekeeping Department is a resident favorite. She is always friendly and goes out of her way to help or get anything a resident needs. (Residents love that she is so creative with her hair color) Keep it going Jess.
- ❖ To **CNA's, Pernel, Tanya, Angie** from Resident Council - These 3 CNAs stand above the crowd in customer service towards residents, family members and other staff members. They are always willing to help no matter what is asked of them. Good job Ladies!



Renaissance

- ✦ To **Darlene Tarantine** from Pinkie Hunt - Thank you for bringing your best to work every single day. You are asset to our MDS team. You are a pleasure to work with. Great job!
- ✦ To **Prachi Elmore** from Kimberly Smarr - Thanks for being the wonderful person that you are and going over and beyond for your staff!
- ✦ To **Cordelia** from Melissa Matheny- Thank you for everything you do!
- ✦ To **Joan Johnson, NP** from Shawanda Clarke - Thank you, you are awesome and happy you are on our team.
- ✦ To **Patricia, Therapy Manager** from Shawanda Clarke - You are wonderful and your department gets the job done!!!



The Meadows

- ❖ To **Mary Hunt** from Joey Blair - Thanks for All You do for the Residents and Staff of The Meadows!!! You are Amazing.
- ❖ To **Jean Marc and Javier** from Renee Ellis - Huge kudos for the Family Cleaning Day!!! You guys are working so hard to make your building look great!!
- ❖ To **Pam Moyer CNA** from Javier RN - Thank you for your Loyalty! Your heart shines through on 11-7! We truly appreciate your dedication!



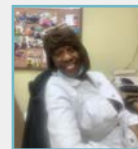
McDonough

Shout Outs

- ★ To **Soundra Willingham** from Morgan Jackson & Sabrina Williams - Thank you Ms. Soundra for all you do for our facility and residents! We do not know what we would do without you. Thank you for helping us keep the Activity Department thriving! Love you lots!
- ★ To **Ms. Soundra** from Morgan - Thank you so much for helping the Activities Department! You bring so much life and joy into the building. Thank you for all you do for Westbury!

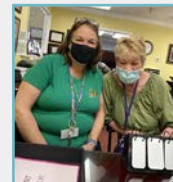


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Canton

- ✦ To **Sanon** from Chantale - Our greatest Business Office Manager.
- ✦ To **Dee & Carolyn** from Denise Duncan - Doing a great job with the manicure activity!!
- ✦ To **Adam** from Denise - Thank you for getting us trained and onboard with Boomer!!!
- ✦ To **Kelly Byers** from Renee Ellis - Huge THANK YOU for extending your notice and staying with us!! Glad to have you as part of the Empire family!



Powder Springs

- ✦ To **Chi Chi Nelson** from Perri Eichenlaub - Thank you for looking out for patients who are not on your assignment!!!! You are so caring and kind to our patients!
- ✦ To **Karra** from Mariah - Karra, Thank you for everything you do! You always go above and beyond.
- ✦ To **Tawanda** from Tony - Tawanda, thank you so much for everything you do in dietary. You are a great employee!
- ✦ To **Patricia** from Mariah - Patricia everything you do does not go unnoticed. You are an amazing ADON and do an awesome job everyday. Since I came here you made me feel like your daughter, it is truly appreciated.
- ✦ To **Grace Oni** from Mariah - Grace! Thank you for all you do here! Every time I see you I see a big smile on your face and never complaining. We appreciate everything.
- ✦ To **Destinie** from Mariah - Shout to Destinie and Belinda!! Our two new Social Workers! We are so happy for ya'll to be joining our team!
- ✦ To **Debra McCratic** from Margalie Cherenfant - Ms. Debbie, I love the way you kept the MDS department on point regardless the fact that you were working a line. You are a great employee for Powder Springs. Thank you. Love, Maggie.
- ✦ To **Katrina Hoskin** from Maggie and the Team - Happy Birthday Katrina . Thank you for keeping the activities department running. May God bless you with many more healthy years. We love you.
- ✦ To **Tequila** from Mariah - Shout out to Tequila! We are excited that you have joined our team! Thank you for everything you do for our residents.
- ✦ To **Rashell and Carla** from Adam - Shoutout to Rashell and Carla and the entire team Powder Springs as Kennestone hospital leadership told me they love working with y'all!!!!
- ✦ To **Comfort** from Tawanda - Comfort thank you for always being there for me!
- ✦ To **Robert** from Ryan - Robert, thank you for always being here and dependable. You literally do so much and I cant thank you enough.
- ✦ To **Dietary** from Tony M - Thank you for everything you do. I know some days seem hard, but we always get through it like a team. I really appreciate every single one of you- Great work! Keep it up!
- ✦ To **Comfort** from James - Great Job! You are a very good nurse.
- ✦ To **Chi Chi Awa** from Senan - ChiChi thank you for everything you do! You never complain and work hard. You are an amazing CNA.
- ✦ To **Lilian M** from Senan - Lilian thank you for everything and always being there. Your residents love you and are always happy to see you. You are a good CNA .
- ✦ To **Susan Tenai** from Mariah - Susan! I am so happy that you joined our team! you are an amazing nurse. You pay attention to detail and do the best for the residents you take care of.
- ✦ To **Camille** from Tawanda - Camille, thank you for everything you do! You are a lifesaver.
- ✦ To **Tony Moore** from Mariah - Tony you are a great supervisor. Thank you for all you do for our residents.
- ✦ To **Keith C** from Mariah - Keith! I am so glad you came to our center. You are doing an amazing job as supervisor.
- ✦ To **Willa**, Activities from Shelly In Dietary - You are the best activity person ever keep doing what you do. The residents at Powder Springs are very lucky to have you in their life.
- ✦ To **Keith** from Perri Eichenlaub - Thank you for always following through with the many, many things we all ask of you and your staff! You and your crew are doing such a great job!
- ✦ To **Ryan Robinson** from Perri Eichenlaub - Thank you for holding the weekly employee retention meeting and coming up with some great ideas that will really help our patients and staff. We are lucky to have you!!!!
- ✦ To **Rosalyn** from Perri Eichenlaub - For having such an organized cart and being such a great nurse who cares so much!
- ✦ To **Shana** from Mariah - Shout out to Shana! You are doing a great job!
- ✦ To **Vicentia** from Mariah - Shout to Vincentia! You are doing a great job on 11-7. We are happy to have you a part of the team.
- ✦ To **Brittany** from Tawanda - Brittany you are a great CNA. Thank you for everything you do for your residents!
- ✦ To **Sherre** from Tawanda - Sherre, thank you for everything you do for your residents! You are a really good CNA!



Nancy Hart

Shout Outs

- ◆ To **Administrator** from Sheila Willis - Thank you for joining our team and being a team player.
- ◆ To **Administrator** from Treasure - Thank you for jumping in and doing what it takes to help the residents.
- ◆ To **Millie** from Sara - Thank you for hanging in at Nancy Hart, yes it has been a journey.
- ◆ To **Administrator** from Thomas Goidman - Thank you for joining our team and help the staff learn PCC.
- ◆ To **Heidi** from Millie - Thank you for all you do to help me make my job easier.
- ◆ To **Sara Person** from Millie And Heidi - Meet and Greet at Athens Regional.
- ◆ To **Elberton Nursing Agency Staff** from Thomas - Shout out to Nancy Hart Elberton Nursing Agency staff. You ladies do a lot and we are proud of all of you at this facility. You are always going above and beyond to make our residents feel good and take care of them. Thank you so much for all you do.
- ◆ To **Administrator** from Jane Dunn - Thank you for jumping to assist in anyway. We really appreciate you.



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Normandy

- ❖ To **Rosa Ferguson** from Tyler Johns - Thank you for all you do!! The employees and visitors love having you run the front desk.
- ❖ To **Gerrit Mallat** from Rosa Ferguson - Big shoutout for the phenomenal arguments with the advanced entry kiosk! Makes my day!!!
- ❖ To **Glenn Fortuno** from Rosa Ferguson - Check out, check in, check out! Shoutout for learning the routine!!!
- ❖ To **Lumenes Jeune Louis** from Rosa Ferguson - Shoutout for keeping our floors so clean!!! Spot on!
- ❖ To **Christopher Bartley** from Rosa Ferguson - Thanks Christopher for accepting all the notes I give you as you walk in the door! I guess I COULD let you get to your office first!!!
- ❖ To **Marie Gede** from Rosa Ferguson - You make checking in at the advanced entry machine fun!!!
- ❖ To **Terry Williams** from Rosa Ferguson - Big shoutout for always having a kind word and a pet name for everyone! It makes everyone feel good!!
- ❖ To **Pascale Val Jean** from Rosa Ferguson - A special shoutout for thinking about me!!!
- ❖ To **Marquia Johnson** from Krystyne Rubio - There are not enough words in the universe to describe the AMAZING ROCKSTAR you are! Keep up all your hard work! Keep being awesome!
- ❖ To **Antonio Casiple** from Rosa Ferguson - A great big shoutout for helping me celebrate my "Fridays"! Thank you!
- ❖ To **Jacqueline Hansen** from Rosa Ferguson - You're awesome!
- ❖ To **Melves Paige-Alston** from Rosa Ferguson - Madam Butterfly! You are always everywhere helping out!!! You are appreciated!!
- ❖ To **Wilda Medina** from Patrina Jackson - Thank you for all your help in activities, the residents was singing your praises!
- ❖ To **Avril Arthurton** from Rosa Ferguson - Funny and quiet! Quite the combo! Always making me laugh.
- ❖ To **Marquia Johnson** from Patrina Jackson - You have been the glue that has kept Dietary together. Your hard work and dedication doesn't go unnoticed.....You Rock!
- ❖ To **Alicia Williams** from Rosa Ferguson - Thanks for checking on my health when I saw something that was delightfully shocking!!! You're the best!!
- ❖ To **Jorge Rodriguez** from Tyler Johns - Thank you for all your efforts to keep our building running! you rock.
- ❖ To **Cleante Charles** from Rosa Ferguson - Thanks for making "center your face" so much fun! Highlight of my day!
- ❖ To **Ranita Pryor** from Rosa Ferguson - Thank you for all your help on the weekends! Rockstar!
- ❖ To **Karen White** from Rosa Ferguson - A big shoutout for being my personal meteorologist! Always keeping me updated on the weather report!
- ❖ To **Lilian Harper** from Rosa Ferguson - A big thank you for always being so pleasant! You make the day better!
- ❖ To **Wilda Medina** from Rosa Ferguson - Thank you for always being helpful!! Your work doesn't go unnoticed.
- ❖ To **Tiffany Vandyke** from Rosa Ferguson - Yes Tiff, it's Friday somewhere! Thanks for your quiet sense of humor!!!
- ❖ To **Latanya Tarver** from Rosa Ferguson - I want to be like you when I grow up!!! Super Star!
- ❖ To **Jorge Rodriguez** from Tyler Johns - Thank you for all your efforts to keep our building running! you rock.
- ❖ To **Jorge Luis Rodriguez** from Rosa Ferguson - You are so helpful! Thanks for everything!
- ❖ To **Lashonda Brannon** from Rosa Ferguson - Thanks for letting your light shine! Star Bright!!



Riverdale

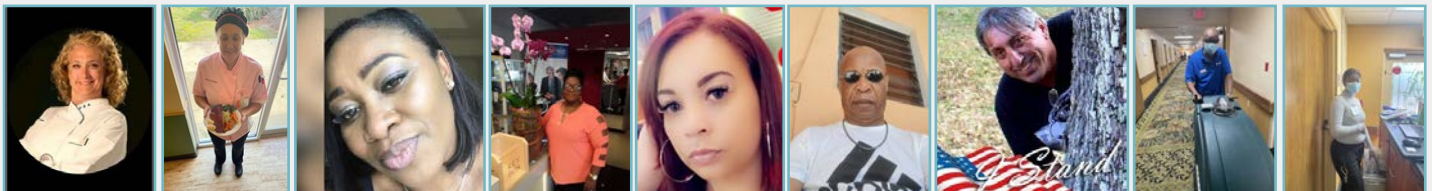
- ★ To **Shiquenta** from Tiffany - Thank you for keeping ACTIVITIES rockin!!!!
- ★ To **ALL OF EAST WING STAFF** from Tiffany - Thank You for everything you do!!!! we here at Riverdale couldn't do it without you all!!!
- ★ To **Valencia** from Tiffany - Thank You for always making sure NORTH WING "super stars" are always on their toes.
- ★ To **Qiana** from Tiffany - Welcome to EAST WING! Thank You for always being there when the residents need you.
- ★ To **Tanika** from Tiffany - Thank You very much for holding SOCIAL SERVICES down!!
- ★ To **Neneh, Shonda, Fatima & Georgia** from Tiffany - Thank you ladies for making sure the WEST WING feels right at home when moving into RIVERDALE!!
- ★ To **Tanique** from Tiffany - Welcome to RIVERDALE! Looking forward to New Adventures in the DIETARY Department!
- ★ To **ALL OF NORTH WING STAFF** from Tiffany - Thank You very much, we here at Riverdale couldn't do it without you all!!!



West Orange

Shout Outs

- ❖ To **Artashia Joseph** from Shantele Harris - My TASHAAAAAAA!!! I love you boo but you already know that! You are an awesome Rehab Director and a wonderful person!
- ❖ To **Bibi Farina Hira** from Aminata Sesay - Thanks for your head work we really appreciate you for being part of West Orange team..
- ❖ To **Akissi AKA- Director of Nursing** from Luis Rodríguez- Life Enrichment Coordinator - Akissi you are a great DON. You motivate your employees, you make tough decisions, you support your colleagues, and most importantly you are an inspiration. You are a ROCKSTAR!! THANK YOU!
- ❖ To **Luis Rodriguez Life Enrichment Coordinator** from Fatima Receptionist - St Patrick's Day was fantastic. Your creativity and commitment is unmatched. You are amazing!
- ❖ To **Monique Smith** from Sandra Lopez - Thank you so much for always making yourself available to help with admissions and room chances. You do a FANTASTIC job with keeping the facility nice and clean. Your heart is willing to help when needed. We are very lucky to have you in our team!
- ❖ To **Aminata Sesay** from Akissi Aka - Through thick and thin I know I can count on you. You are a Wound nurse, MDS, UM, Staff nurse, you do it all. You are a pillar on this team, and I appreciate that work that you do. You are much appreciated, and I wanted you to know that.
- ❖ To **Elaine Taylor** from Alexis Pierre - It's good to have someone who's dependable, hardworking, and fun to work with. Thank you for being a light for our residents.
- ❖ To **Marie Daout** from Aminata Sesay - Thanks you for doing a good job. You go beyond your job description to make ensure the residents are happy. We appreciate you for being part of West Orange team.
- ❖ To **Therapy, Nursing, Administrator** from Janise, Admissions - Thank you all for your support with our meetings at the hospital. Your support is very much appreciated and thank you for all that you do in support of the department. Thank you!!!!
- ❖ To **Adrianna Bepott And Elaine Taylor** from Aminata Sesay - Thanks for going beyond your job description, I really appreciate everything you are do for our residents. Thanks for being part of west orange team!
- ❖ To **To All West Orange Nurses** from Aminata Sesay - Thanks for all the hard work. The endless time and energy you give selflessly in doing what others think is impossible does not go unnoticed. You all rock and we appreciated ya'll. Go West Orange!
- ❖ To **Sharon McCormick** from Marie Kamara - Thank you being a hard worker. You are always professional and you do it with a smile on your face!!
- ❖ To **Louis Silva** from Marie Kamara - Thank you for all you do for our residents and our center as a whole. We truly appreciate you!!
- ❖ To **Sharon Jones** from Marie Kamara - Thank you for being a part of our team. You bring so much quality experience to the team. We appreciate all you are doing!!
- ❖ To **Dietary Director Sharon Latulippe** from Fatima Receptionist - The residents might as well be seated at a Michelin star restaurant. The love you have for the residents is admirable. You are awesome.
- ❖ To **Bibi H** from Artashia Joseph DOR - Thank you helping therapy whenever you are asked. You're a great team player.
- ❖ To **Marie Cajuste** from Akissi Aka - I appreciate your hard work and dedication towards the residents. You strive for perfection and yes you get very close. If I have not said it before I will say it now, we all recognize your work, compassion and insight on the job. Well done!
- ❖ To **Akissi Aka** from Shantele Harris - Thank you for your awesome spirit day-in and day-out no matter what comes your way. You keep your team going and West Orange wouldn't be the same without you!
- ❖ To **Anastazzia Morehouse** from Akissi Aka - You came not long ago and made West Orange your place. We appreciate your sense of ownership when you work, trying to guide your co-workers towards "the right path" You make my job easier and you have a great sense of leadership. You make us proud!
- ❖ To **Betty Jocelyn** from Akissi Aka - I appreciate you from the bottom of my heart. You also came and took this facility as your own. I appreciate all your hard work. You are amazing.
- ❖ To **Kevin Sookhlal** from Akissi Aka - B wing is grateful to have you as their nurse. The Clinical team is grateful to have you. Your co-workers are lucky to have you and West Orange is grateful to have you. Please keep up the great work!
- ❖ To **Dolcey Campbell** from Akissi Aka - You are fantastic at what you do. You work so well to the point where I can fall asleep at night and feel well assured that you have already taking care of business. Thanks so much for all you do!
- ❖ To **Laxsine Gordon** from Akissi Aka - Not everyone can work the night shift. Thank you so much for doing what you for the West Orange in the evening. West orange and myself appreciate you.
- ❖ To **Antonette Brown** from Akissi Aka - Thanks for all you do ! We appreciate you ! I appreciate you and all you do.
- ❖ To **Anistazzia Morehouse** from Derrick Jackson - Thank you for being a caring and passionate nurse. You are an asset to the facility and to your patients.
- ❖ To **Pierre Nicolas** from Monique Smith - I would like to shout out the best Floor Tech in the business. For always having a great attitude and doing any amazing job on our Floors. Thank you for all you do.
- ❖ To **Pier Nicholas, Floor Tech** from Luis Rodríguez- Life Enrichment Coordinator - I must agree that you amaze me everyday with your dedication and good work. Thank You Pier!
- ❖ To **Alexis Pierre- Barbados Unit Manager** from Luis Rodríguez- Life Enrichment Coordinator - Thank You for being a great addition to our Team. Your willingness to deliver high- quality work is really admirable. Thank You Alexis!!



JUST A FEW OF OUR AWESOME SHOUTOUT FOLKS

Orange Park

Shout Outs

- ❖ To **Jean Baptiste LPN** from Ena Findlay - Thank you for always being willing to help out and taking such great care of our residents!
- ❖ To **Yanira DeLeon** from Department Heads - We want to thank you for always going above and beyond and taking such great care of all of the residents in the facility and not just the ones you work with!
- ❖ To **Kyle Nguyen, Housekeeping** from Department Heads - Kyle has been a wonderful employee since day 1! We are so lucky he chose to join our team and our work family!
- ❖ To **Odette Dela Rea** from Department Heads - Amazing job addressing the needs of all our long term residents and ensuring the best quality of care !

Shoutouts from our Resident Council

- ❖ To **Quatina Little, CNA** from Resident Council - Resident Council would like to thank Quatina for being friendly and down to Earth. She comes right to help when you call her. Thank you for your hard work.
- ❖ To **Kamrie Johnson, CNA** from Resident Council - Resident Council would like to recognize Kamrie for being caring, friendly, and easy to talk to. She responds quickly to requests! Thank you for all you do!
- ❖ To **Marie Doreliend, CNA** from Resident Council - Resident Council would like to praise Marie for taking time to get to know the LTC residents more and being more open, friendly, and talkative.
- ❖ To **Viviane Alexandre, CNA** from Resident Council - Resident Council would like to thank Viviane for doing a good job caring for them. She is good at everything that she does!
- ❖ To **Yves Paul, LPN** from Resident Council - Resident Council would like to thank Yves for all his hard work. He takes care of things for the residents. He is a very good nurse and is attentive to the needs and requests of the residents.

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The Short-Lived Pony Express

On April 3, 1860, two horseback riders left simultaneously, one from St. Joseph, Missouri, heading west, and the other from Sacramento, California, heading east. After 10 days of relay-team riding and 1,800 miles, riders arrived at both locations bearing mail packets. The mail had never been so speedy, and the legend of the Pony Express was born.

The Pony Express debuted before the advent of radio or telephone, when California was cut off from the rest of the country. Any mail sent from the east arrived by ship or stagecoach several months later. In this world, the arrival of a letter in 10 days' time was lightning fast.

The Pony Express was conceived by three owners of a freight business: William H. Russell, William Bradford Waddell, and Alexander Majors. They, along with route superintendent Benjamin Ficklin, devised a route of over 150 relay stations set up across the frontier through Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, and California. Riders, who carried up to 20 pounds of mail, were changed every 100 miles, with their horses switched out every 10 to 15 miles. Over 400 horses were purchased and multiple relay stations built and staffed for the endeavor. Speed was the key to the success of the Pony Express, with their fastest delivery being news of the election of President Abraham Lincoln in a record five days' time. However, as telegraph lines began to move westward, the need for the Pony Express began to dissipate. On October 24, 1861, a mere 18 months after its historic first run, the Pony Express was discontinued as the first transcontinental telegraph line was completed. Despite its brief existence, the Pony Express



Passover and Easter

Notably, Easter is also associated with the Jewish holiday of Passover, as well as the exodus of the Jews from Egypt, as described in the Old Testament. These links are clearly seen in the Last Supper, which occurred the night before Jesus' arrest and the sufferings Jesus endured following his arrest.

The Last Supper was essentially a Passover feast. However, the New Testament describes it as being given new significance by Jesus: He identified the matzah (or bread) he shared with his 12 apostles as his "body" and the cup of wine they drank as his "blood".

These rituals would come to symbolize the sacrifice he was about to make in death, and became the basis for the Christian ritual of Holy Communion, which remains a fundamental part of Christian religious services.

As Jesus' arrest and execution were said to have occurred during the Jewish observance of Passover, the Easter holiday is often close to the former celebration on the Judeo-Christian calendar.



JACKSON

Employee Events

Black History Month Potluck



The fondest of memories are made when gathered around the table! We love our work family!

St Patrick's Day



Everyone enjoyed wearing green and eating nachos as we celebrated St. Patrick's Day at Jackson.

Special Thanks from Julia Ann

From the desk of the Administrator...Congratulations and many thanks to the Jackson Team for great Survey results. I truly appreciate the hard work by our team on a daily basis to achieve these results. Each and every one of you play an integral part in our success. Thank you, Team Jackson, as we continue to shine.

Dr. Seuss



One fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish.
Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration!

**Dr. Seuss
Day!**

CARTERSVILLE

St Patrick's Day



Cartersville had a wonderful time celebrating St. Patrick's Day with the residents and staff.



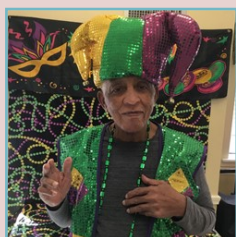
Happy
Easter



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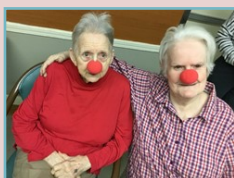
Employee Events

Mardi Gras



Our residents had a great time dressing up for the Mardi Gras Parade.

Red Nose Day



Red Nose Day is an annual fundraising campaign with the mission to end child poverty by funding programs that keep children safe, healthy, educated and empowered. Resident had fun.



Dr Seuss Day



Celebrating Dr. Seuss birthday Cat in a bag bingo and story time read along.

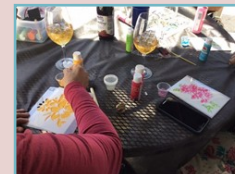
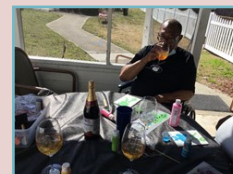


Bible Study



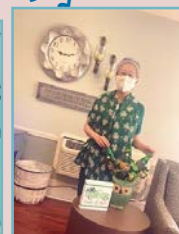
Resident enjoys attending and participating in Bible Study. Pastor Eddie Favors who is a retired pastor and is a resident does a great job sharing the word.

Sip and Paint



Resident enjoyed a nice refreshing drink and sunshine on the patio while being creative with their artwork

St. Patrick's Day



All green! Resident and staff enjoyed the St. Patrick social event.



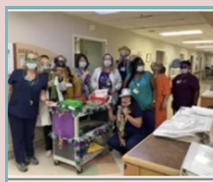
UNIVERSITY

St. Patrick's Day



Lots of fun celebrating St. Patrick's Day at our facility.

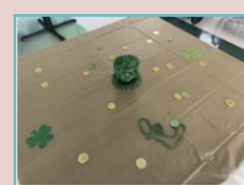
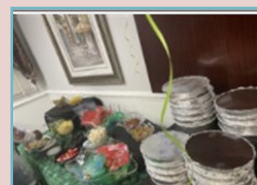
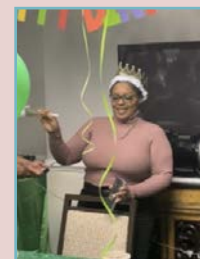
Mardi Gras



We celebrated Mardi Gras at University with a Mardi Gras parade. The facility had a wonderful time.

RIVERDALE

St. Patrick's Day



Good times were had by all during our St. Patrick's Day celebrations.



FAYETTEVILLE

Employee Events

St. Patrick's Day



On St. Patrick's Day everyone is Irish. At Fayetteville Center our employees showed off their many shades of green. All enjoyed ice cream sundaes.



Employee Appreciation Date Night



We kicked off March with our Employee Appreciation Date Night at a local bowling center. Even those employees who had never bowled before got a kick out of laser bowling. Each person had their own style of getting the bowling ball down the alley. Yes, there were Gutter balls, but there were some strikes too, including some from Kawanna our ED! We all enjoyed the music, refreshments and even tried laser tag. Looking forward to our next date night.

Celebrating a New Look



Margaret Helman and Almoni Atwell, members of Fayetteville Center's Activity Department showing off our new colors. Residents and other staff members all like our Orchid scrubs (as do we) We've been asked if they can get that color too. Everyone knows that when they see us coming, something fun is not far away.

Administrators Week



Our ED must have thought we forgot all about Administrators week because we seemed to focus on Kudos for our Social Services team. Surprise!!! The team put together a special gift bag full of Kawanna's favorite snacks and beverages. No celebration is complete unless you have balloons and her favorite pink roses. Thank You Ms. Kawanna for all that you do for the residents, staff and family members of Fayetteville Center!!!

Pi Day



Each March we are reminded of Pi..... 3.14. This year staff and residents enjoyed Moon Pies served on full moon napkins of course. Never knew there were different flavors!

CANTON

Birds

Butter Bean Auction



Residents enjoying Butter Bean Auction



At Canton our resident's are enjoying the outdoors while working on their pinecone bird feeders. This is a relaxing and enjoyable activity that grant that satisfying feeling of creating something.



Team Canton



Team Canton, a teams that eats together, stays together.

RENAISSANCE

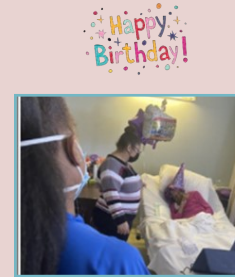
Employee Events

Cooking in the Kitchen



When there is no kitchen staff everyone pitches in.

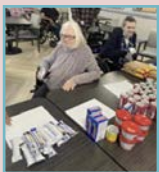
100 Years
Young



What a
Milestone....

Mrs. Mary Jefferson - 100th Birthday

Always a lot going on at Renaissance



Renaissance Activity Store



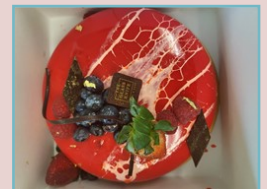
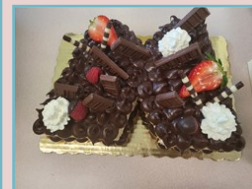
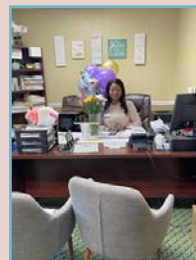
Skills Fair



Happy St. Patrick's to you from Our Renaissance Family! Did you have fun on St. Patrick's day? Renaissance's Residents sure did! Check out our fun accessories we sported that day to bring joy to the residents.

WEST ORANGE

Rock Administrator's Week



This week we celebrated our Administrator Marie Kamara. This was a special week that we gave her thanks for her time and effort that she has put into West Orange. Her tenacity and good spirits create a lively atmosphere that translates well with the patients and staff. Marie Kamara is poised, intelligent, well-versed in administration work and is understanding of the people around her. She is a leader who truly cares about her staff and thus, in return we wanted to celebrate her. It was a week full of surprises from Monday through Friday. There were gifts, catered meals and beautiful decorations. We love our boss lady, and we are honored to have you as our Administrator! Thank you Ms. Marie for your hard work. Happy Administrator Week!

Silly Moments

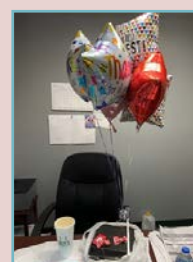


Marianna has found her Four Leaf Clovers- Dolores has spotted something- A Spontaneous Silly Moments. Activities Department shares some joy. # WestOrangeStrong!

She's spotted The Bird with the Long Orange Beak...

A spontaneous silly moment

Social Work Week



Shantele Harris is the epitome of a person who has a heart of Gold. Shantele is West Orange's Social Services Director, and this was Social Service week. In order to be the head of this department you need to love what you do and have patience for others. She works hard for her residents and consistent in fulfilling her responsibilities. We see her enthusiasm and dedication to give the best service. We see your efforts, Shantele. Happy Social Work Week!

St. Patrick's Day



St. Patrick's Day was filled with laughter and wonderful company. West Orange knows how to celebrate!



McDONOUGH

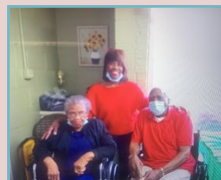
Employee Events

Hallway Bingo



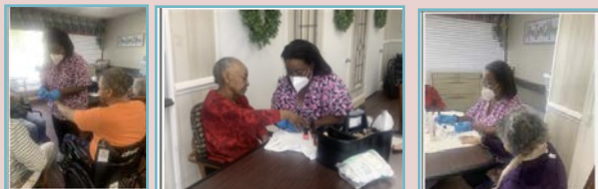
Hampton Hall enjoys Hallway BINGO on this Terrific Tuesday!

Ice Cream Social



McDonough's Center has an ice cream social every Friday and today we celebrated a birthday!

Fancy Nail Day



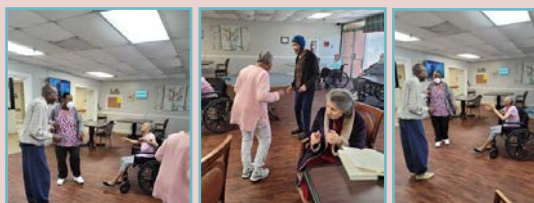
Residents participate in Fancy Nail Day!

Courtyard Sittin'



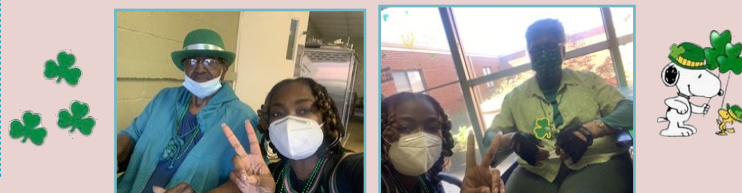
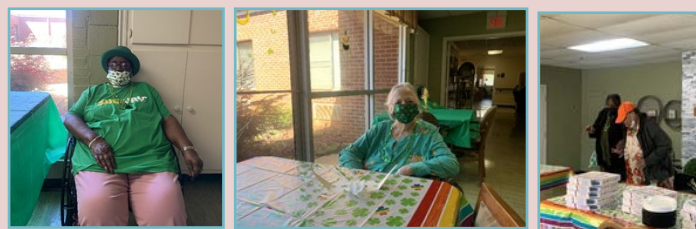
Today we are courtyard sittin' as we sip on smooth cola and enjoying the fresh air!

Memory Monday



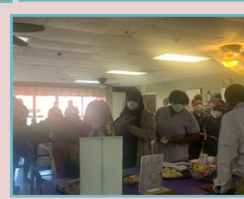
This morning a few residents from Heritage Hall took it back to the 70's. Featured artists were James Brown, The Temptations, Barry White and more! Watch out now!

St. Patrick's Day



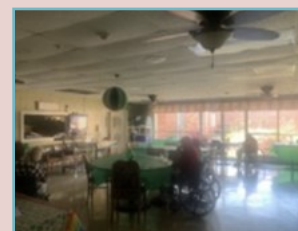
On March 17th, McDonough celebrated St. Patrick's Day with pizza, cupcakes, cake, and green juice! The Mayor of McDonough also came to celebrate with us.

Staff Appreciation



On March 24th, Grand Canyon University (GCU) volunteered light refreshments and drinks for McDonough's staff. Mr. Warren (volunteer) gave insight on online programs, both bachelor and masters. The staff welcomed him with smiles and appreciation of being thought about! Great day for McDonough!

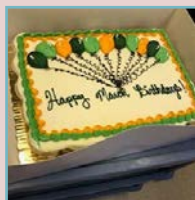
Movie Day



NORMANDY

Employee Events

St. Patrick's Day



We had a blast celebrating St. Patty's Day, We got **Sham Rocked!**



ORANGE PARK

St. Patrick's Day Spirit



Our staff and residents had a great time celebrating St. Patrick's Day. We played some trivia, had some Panera treats and enjoyed some Irish beverages.

Milkshake Day



22 residents and patients ordered out Steak & Shake shakes. Activity Staff delivered the shakes to everyone.

Salon Services



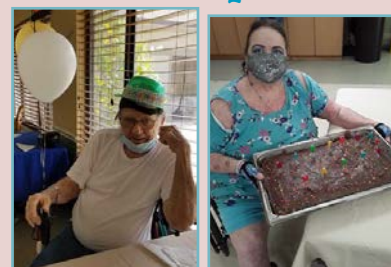
Residents got pampered with salon services by Emily.

Live Music



Ulysses Slalett did a wonderful job singing for the residents and patients.

Birthdays



Happy birthday to our residents and patients that were born in March!

Puzzles



Residents enjoyed doing jigsaw puzzles in the activity room.

POWDER SPRINGS

Employee Events

St. Patrick's Day



Good Times

Everyone had a great time at our St. Patrick's Day events.



Mardi Gras



We're celebrating Mardi Gras across Powder Springs! Staff and residents enjoyed 4 different flavors of Margaritas and Beignet.



Andrea Hingson
Normandy Center for Nursing and Healing

Empire Care Centers
extends a warm welcome to
our new Administrators



Andre Howell
Cartersville Center for Nursing and Healing

