

Caregiver of the Year

The “Excellence in Alzheimer’s Caregiving” awards luncheon will honor one caregiver working with persons with memory loss from each care community. Please participate by nominating an **ElderHealth & Living** employee. The person must have worked here for at least six months, and may have worked in a number of departments, not only as a caregiver. Liz, Nancy, and Ronda will select the “Caregiver of the Year” from the nominations submitted. **The deadline is Friday, September 3rd, and forms are in the front office.** Thank you for helping us honor our staff for the special work they do.

Care Conferences

To stay on schedule for Care Conference days, we will be limiting each conference to 45 minutes. We appreciate your understanding and continued support. Thank you.

Support Groups

Our Memory Loss Solutions® Support Groups will meet on the **second** Monday (due to the Labor Day holiday), September 13th, from 12—1, and on the third Tuesday, September 21st, from 5—6. Please come to the office.

Super Team Member!



Sharon Durrant, Ronda Perkins, and Susie Ray present **Margie Cantwell**, second from right, with her Mentor certificate. Margie completed classroom and hands on training, plays a valuable role in training new caregivers to be successful, and demonstrates competency in performing managerial tasks within the home.

Memory Walk is on 10.10.10!

Here’s how to support our fund-raising:

- Take a “**Memory Walk Mondays**” flier (in front office) to Fast Lane Coffee on Mondays through Oct. 4th; 50% of beverage price donated
- Participate in “**Penny Wars**” homes competition (Aug. 30th — Oct. 6th)
- Buy **Tupperware** from flier in front office (Aug. 20th — Sept. 8th)
- Buy **Current Products** from catalog in front office (until Sept. 10th); year-round online at www.currentfun.com
- Go to **Family Spaghetti Feed** (in all homes on Sept. 29th)
- Take flier (in Oct. newsletter) to **Papa’s Pizza** (Springfield) on Oct. 7th
- Buy **EH&L gear** (in front office) for 15% donation
- Buy a **Papa Murphy’s Take ‘N’ Bake Pizza card** (in front office); \$5 for \$40 value

Please also sign up to walk with our team: <http://www.mw2010.kintera.org/eugene/elderhealthandliving>.

Thank you for your support!

Recreation Events

As the summer comes to a close, we’ll keep ourselves busy celebrating, creating, and adventuring our way into the autumn harvest. We’ll seek treasures at Treasures from the Heart Antiques and take a tour of the historic Campbell House Inn. We’ll fix up our racing tubs from last year and let the soap bubbles fly as we join Nome, Alaska in their annual bathtub race. Gary Deuval will sing some old favorites, and Camas the llama will be back for more residents to feed him carrots. We’ll join the world September 21st in celebrating the International Day of Peace by making a peace tree with symbols we’ll create throughout the month. Autumn will be welcomed with a cider party, and we’ll learn about varieties of mushrooms in honor of National Mushroom Month. To celebrate Mexican Independence Day, we’ll cook up horchata and cookies to serve at our fiesta. Finally, we’ll greet the start of the NFL season with a kickoff party! If you’d like to join us for any of our activities, please do!

Congratulations!

Grace Fletcher is our Employee of the Month. This very special Recreation Coordinator who “has done such a wonderful job helping the Rec. program evolve and grow,” was awarded an **ElderHealth & Living Excellence** pin and a gift certificate.

The Extra Miler is **Stephanie Feehan**, from The Cedar Home, who is “hardworking and picks up extra shifts when needed.” This award is given for outstanding performance, enthusiasm, and dedication to our residents on the Swing and NOC shifts. Congratulations!

Correction from August: Our Extra Miler, Chassie May, works in The **Diamond Peak** Home.

Meet our Staff


- Missy Chambers, HR Coord.
- Grace Fletcher, Recreation Coord.
- Geri Goode, LPN, Shift Supervisor
- Gabriel Henton, IT Coord.
- Jeff Klein, Quality Assurance Coord.
- Nancy Koll, LPN, CFO
- Pamela Martindale, Accounting Coord.
- Barbara Passarelli, Family Services Coord.
- Ronda Perkins, Admin./COO
- Susie Ray, Med. Office & Training Coord.
- Ryan Sinnett, Maintenance Coord.
- Liz von Wellsheim, GNP, Medical Director/CEO
- Sheila Wallace, RN, Nurse
- Sara Wallenius, GNP
- Joanne Wirtala, Office Coord.

Resident Spotlight



Yvonne Coleman, a member of The Redwood Home, was born in Klamath Falls and grew up in varying places around Oregon, eventually

settling in Springfield in a house her father built. After high school, Yvonne married and had a daughter, Gayla. Yvonne later remarried Hank, a Navy man whom she lived down the street from while growing up. The two had a son and daughter together, Doyle and Roxana. Hank worked in logging for over 40 years, and Yvonne stayed home to care for the children. Always extremely active, Yvonne enjoyed gardening, painting, drawing, working in resin, and even taught bowling. She also volunteered as a Cub Scout leader, PTA president for “the old” Maple Grade School, and state commander of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV). Yvonne loved helping others, whether giving a haircut or hemming pants. She kept her spiritual beliefs central to her life and in her later years formed a deeper relationship with Christ. Yvonne also had an adventurous spirit and rode a 45 cubic inch Harley motorcycle and briefly drove a 1½ ton truck for her son’s business. Yvonne currently enjoys music, animals, and hearing the latest stories about her six grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild! Yvonne turns 81 this September 22nd – Happy Birthday, Yvonne!

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In Remembrance

Ruth Stevenson from The Birch Home is remembered for her strength, beauty, and ladylike manner. She always knew what she wanted and went after it! She enjoyed time with family and friends, and liked good food, good people, and good times. We especially miss her stick-to-it-iveness.

Featured Family

Patti Johnson and Patt Rollins recently hosted a wine tasting which raised **\$2600** for Memory Walk on behalf of Imogene Johnson of The Mt. Hood Home! When asked what makes Patti & Patt special, Kellie Williams, Resident Coordinator responded, “They do everything!” Thank you.



Resident Alma McWilliams and her family enjoy the wine tasting.

Employee Anniversaries

Grace Fletcher — Recreation — 3 years
Susan Stansbury — Recreation — 2 years
Chassie May — Diamond Peak — 1 year