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Newsletter of Prairieview Lutheran Homes October/November 2018

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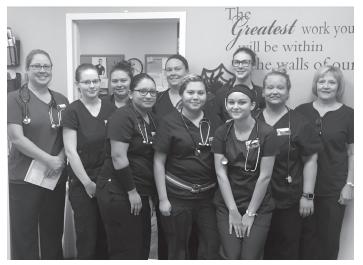
## Being a CNA



Working with Simon, the CNA class dummy

Our website: prairieviewlutheran.com

Our newest CNA class with instructors, Gwen Tammen and Marla Miller



On August 22, 2018, eight new students eagerly started an intense six-week program to become Certified Nursing Assistants. After a few days of lectures and book work, they spread out and learned how to care for residents in the attentive, caring Prairieview way. "We laughed and we cried. There were lots of highs and some lows. These students taught me a lot about myself," says Gwen Tammen, RN, one

of our instructors.

Our new CNA classes provide us with a steady supply of front-line workers who have been trained to offer extraordinary care for our residents. We also hope to raise the level of care in our surrounding communities by providing well-trained CNAs to other senior living providers in the area.

"They all qualified!!" Marla Miller, RN, our lead instructor, stated with joy.



Learning to shave



Learning to assist in eating

#### Quality is the Name of the Game

Prairieview Lutheran Homes has always been known for the high quality of care provided to our residents. Now payments from Medicare will be directly impacted by our performance. Certain performance-based measures are being tracked by the government to determine if nursing homes will receive full payment for the services we provide. Initially 2% of Medicare payments will be withheld with a potential to earn back a portion based on our performance.

I'd like to congratulate our quality team! Our goal is to continue to be the best at what we do! The target for our scores as set by Medicare is to have a composite score of less than 6. A home that has a score of less than 6 ranks in the top 10% of nursing home quality across the country. Let's have a drum roll... our score is now 4.2. This score is an indication of the care we give our residents, but also, we can be proud of the way we deliver this care to all our residents. Quality is the name of the game, but the Prairieview Way is the icing on the cake!

Tom McCann Administrator



Barb Zell and Jerry Downs





Stocking up on books

Dogs, pumpkins and smiles

Fall Festival 2018



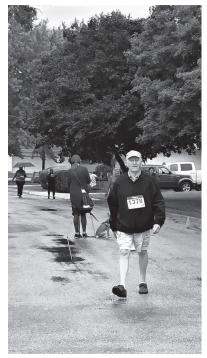
Fish for all ages!

Our member churches' Singing Pastors group. Beautiful harmony.





Strollers and children joined in!



Ken Ebert supported the 5K !

#### Our First 5K Walk/ Run Sept. 8, 2018

#### Resident in the Spotlight Robert Pool

We are so glad that resident Bob Pool was able to join us for our first 5K Walk/Run!

Bob has been an active runner for many years, including <u>nine</u> Half Marathons (13.1 miles) and <u>over 600</u> 5K's ! His brother, John, says Bob first started running in his 40's when he joined John for a 10K in Gibson City, IL. From then on, Bob was hooked and kept on running!

Below: Charlie Grotevant, Bob, Joyce, and John Pool Bob crossing the finish line





The rain didn't dampen these smiles!

Consider joining the Friends of Prairieview Annual Giving Club to benefit the many seniors who live with us.

I accept the invitation to become a member of the Friends of Prairieview for 2018.

Tim Marriott Insurance Agency, Country Financial Gibson Area Hospital & Health Services Vitas - Innovative Hospice Care Farmers State Bank of Danforth Kankakee Valley Hospice ProHarvest Seeds, Inc. AFLAC - Larry Abbe Robert Pool's Family Floyd (Lou) Wahl's Family



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Make check payable to Friends of Prairieview. Mail to Prairieview, PO 4, Danforth, IL 60930 All gifts are tax deductible for tax purposes The simple act of caregiving is heroic.

#### The **Savvy** Caregiver

A 4-week program offering training and encouragement for dementia family caregivers.

Calvary Lutheran Church, Watseka Thursdays starting on October 18 5:00-7:00 dinner included

#### Call 815-269-2970 to register

### More Fall Festival 2018





Thank you to all the volunteers who worked together!



Another year for a beautiful quilt auction!



Jerry Downs sang a special tribute to veterans!



g aDenise had extra help at<br/>the Faith Place booth!



Ready for the festivities to begin!

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Upcoming Events

The Savvy Caregiver Presentation Dinner included! Free to all! October 18 - November 8, Thursdays, 5:00 - 7:00 pm Come for four fantastic weeks of information, encouragement, and tips on caregiving for someone with dementia. Calvary Lutheran Church, 120 E Hickory St, Watseka, IL We want to hear your story. Call to register 815-269-2970

**Trick or Treat** October 30th, 5:30 - 6:30 pm Area children are invited to trick-or-treat with our residents.

**Veterans Day Ceremony** November 12th 2:00 pm The public is invited to join us in honoring our resident veterans on Monday, November 12th.

**Family Night for Skilled Care Residents,** by invitation only. November 8th, Thursday evening. A special meal will be served to residents and 2 guests each. Turkey, ham, dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, & pie.



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