

THE GLEN *Views*

FALL 2018

the spirit of *Giving*

Doris Wedgeworth
meets with Santa
during a visit with
students from
81st Street Early
Childhood
Education Center.

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The Glen's team chose the words: vision, ready, care, create and truth. Below: Michelle Greer, Lydia Earhart, Debra Williams, Marie Davis and Susan Skinner attended LeadingAge.

All hands on deck

CONFERENCE TAKES PLACE IN PHILADELPHIA

Leaders from The Glen attended the LeadingAge conference in Philadelphia, PA in October. The conference attendees were asked to wear their bracelet reminding them of their intent to focus.

conference focused on presentations discussing nursing, marketing, human resources, governance, finance and a variety of other topics related to senior living. At the beginning of the event, attendees were asked to choose a word that is their intent – answering the questions: What virtue do you want more of in your life? What is a challenge you want to overcome? What are you most passionate about? During the



a message



DEBRA WILLIAMS
President & CEO

Last month, an important gathering took place with The Glen's former and current board members. Each year the group gathers to reunite and receive an update on current happenings at The Glen.

There's an air of excitement, comradery and fellowship that comes with this celebration each year. It's not just a luncheon, but it is indeed a celebration. Some of the former board members have been associated with The Glen for over forty years.

We took the opportunity at the conclusion of our program to share more of the Glen's stories as told by those at the heart of what we do, what we provide and who we serve – the resident. This year we decided to ask our residents, employees, volunteers, supporters and family members why they chose The Glen. With all The Glen has to offer, one of the top reasons why people select The Glen is because of the friendliness of the people they encounter.

As President and CEO, it was humbling to hear that it was the spirit of the residents, staff and volunteers that make our community such a welcoming place. Our rich history, started from a heart led to serve, continues to guide us to thrive now and into our future.

As each new year approaches, we tend to reflect on the past year. The words, "thankful" and "blessed" have been continually in my thoughts this past year.

With deep gratitude, I still fall back on the unfailing support of our staff that continue to place a great focus on those individuals that choose to reside at The Glen. As Katie Sloan, the president of LeadingAge, said in a recent newsletter, they are why we do what we do.

Yes, while The Glen is a physical location, it is also a spirit of belonging that is always present in our hearts. May your season be the time for reflection on all of the many blessings that you have experienced. Thank you for your continuous kindness and support.

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Rehab therapy in spotlight

KSLA FEATURES THERAPY TEAM'S FALL THEME AT THE GLEN

Throughout the fall season residents and some family members kept seeing WANTED posters throughout Village Health Care. These images of residents were posted in rehab to follow the western theme selected by the therapy team.

Each year The Glen's therapy team decorates the room and dresses accordingly based on a selected theme. This year the theme was a cowboy western theme. The decor, which also encourages the therapy team to correlate therapy exercise with the cowboy theme, caught the attention of KLSA and The Glen was featured for the unique type of therapy.



Rudy Burnette was interviewed by KSLA about his rehab therapy experience in October.

Supporting the Alzheimer's community

The Glen was the starting-line sponsor for the Walk to End Alzheimer's Disease Oct. 20 at Riverpark Church in Shreveport.

The Glen, along with the community, donated funds to support the Alzheimer's Association. Bentley manned the table sharing comfort and love to the walkers who have a loved one with Alzheimer's disease. Staff members from The Glen walked side by side with the Alzheimer's community.



81st Street visits for holiday events

Two special events featuring visits from the students of 81st Street Early Childhood Education Center have taken place. Two more visits are scheduled to be Feb. 1 and April 26.

The residents are encouraged to attend and play games with the students. Volunteers are needed to assist in these activities. To volunteer during a 81st Street School visit or to learn more about outreach programs, go to www.theglensystem.org/community/outreach/ or call 318-798-3500.



Students from 81st Street School keep the energy up as they play balloon volleyball with the residents at The Glen.

Current and former board members gather



Clockwise Left: Katherine Bicknell, Sylvia Adams and Elizabeth Meadows reunite during the Autumn Luncheon. Barbara Terry, Mary Wilbanks, Rhonda Anglin and Nanette Beach enjoy fellowship during the luncheon. Kyle Dobbins visits with Marie Davis, The Glen's Chief Financial Officer, at the current and former board luncheon held Nov. 15 at Superior Steakhouse.



Clockwise from the top: Rita Davis, Charlsie Alexander and Marie Kelley dress as witches on Halloween for a Stiles party.

Living

Clockwise Left: Dorothy Macintosh dressed as a cat lady for Halloween. Rhonda Masch and Cynthia Reese celebrate Halloween in the Stiles Apartments. Nelva O'dell makes a WANTED poster. Clemmie McCoy enjoys her time at a Stiles Halloween party.





Clockwise from the top: Betty Douglas takes a picture with Santa. Thelma Carter smiles for the camera. Two out of three blind mice make it through the halls of Villages Health Care. Pearlie Sowell enjoys treats during a Halloween party in Village Health Care.

cont. living



Left: Barbara Edwards assists a student as he colors.

Bottom: Mary Nell Parr, Martha Bradley and Virginia Israel share a moment with Santa.





Visit The Glen this month to see all the holiday cheer spread throughout the buildings.

heartwarmers

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Mary Graves shares a special moment with a student from 81st Street School.



Michelle Greer, Natasha Cabarubio and Amy Krohn work the cake walk during an employee survey event.

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