

The SOUTHWIND CONNECTION

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Red Hat Social with the Southern Belles

Ms. Gail Gauthier, Queen of Southern Belles for our local chapter, came to SWHR and hosted a Red Hat Social for our loved ones. First, she and her niece, Heather, took about three hours decorating the activity center until it was totally 'Blinged-Out!' They made it complete by adding strobe lights, a red carpet, and a beautiful backdrop for photos. There were about thirty residents and seven volunteers celebrating the special luncheon of pizza, homemade cupcakes, and raspberry punch.

Thanks to all the businesses and people from Crowley (Evangeline Bank and Trust, Gail's Gifts, G's Machine Shop, Pizza Hut, Plush Petals, Denise McClure, and Patti Ronkartz) who helped make this awesome luncheon very special for our dear residents.

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Resident of the Month

Ms. Stella Breaux

Inspirational Quote of the Month

“Courage is the most important of all the virtues because without courage, you can't practice any other virtue consistently.”

— Maya Angelou

Happy Birthday!

Residents:

Callie F	7/10
Lola H	7/12
Ethel L	7/12
Hilda L	7/14
Elina M	7/16
Wallen L	7/18
Birdie G	7/19
Eleanor P	7/19
Bernice T	7/23
Ethelyn T	7/24
Bertha T	7/27
Effie B	7/30
Ida F	7/30

Employees:

Marisa Sonnier	7/03
Lawanda Pitre	7/04
Amy Landry	7/04
Donna James	7/07
Marcella Vital	7/10
Brianna Drake	7/11
Claire Gossen	7/15
Shunquella Rideaux	7/18
Maryann Dugas	7/20
Katina Royer	7/21
Raymonda Andrus	7/23
Rachella Senegal	7/24
Keri Thibodeaux	7/24
Kathy Murrell	7/28
Priscilla Solomon	7/30
Crystal Magnon	7/31

National Donut Day: How Sweet it is!

When the residents entered the activity center for National Donut Day, most of them commented on the donut bar that was filled with a huge assortment of donuts from, jelly-filled to strawberry and donut kabobs. Little did they know, they would soon be treated to watching the process of frying freshly-made dough.

While the donuts were still piping hot, many of the residents chose to dip them into a sugary glaze, add chocolate to them, or simply used powdered sugar.

As they waited patiently, they reminisced among themselves, played a game of roping the donut holes into the can, and guessed the number of donuts in a box. Prizes were given and everyone was as sweet as ever!



Resident Spotlight: Mr. & Mrs. Thomas LePretre

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas LePretre have been at SWHR for about a year. They make perfect roommates because they have been married for the past sixty-one years.

Mr. Thomas was one of eight children born to Ernest LePretre and Eunice Boudreaux. They lived around Gueydan, LA, where his father was a rice farmer. Mrs. Betty was born to Roy Hanks and Rena Cormier. She grew up in Lyons Point, LA, where her father was a rice farmer, also. She had two brothers and two sisters and was the second to oldest child.

Mr. and Mrs. LePretre met at a dance in Riceville, LA, in 1953 and dated for two years. Mr. LePretre had saved enough money to finally ask the lady in his life for her hand, so he did just that! The couple wed on July 28, 1955.

After Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Betty got married, he sought a better job to support his new family and began working for J.D. Edwards Tugboats, where he was a tugboat captain for about thirty of his fifty-one years of service. Their main routes were from Corpus Christie through the Intracoastal Coastal to the mouth of the Mississippi River.

The LePretres' are blessed with one daughter, Melinda Broussard, who is on the MDS Team at SWHR. They are also proud to have twelve grandchildren, two great grandchildren, as well as two great-great grandchildren. They are a close family that live within just a few miles of each other and have get-togethers quite often.

Mr. Thomas loves to dance, as he wonderfully demonstrated at our recent battle of the bands during National Nursing Home Week. Another one of his favorite things to do is pick generous amounts of kumquats and distribute them to his neighbors down his hall, making sure he cleans them before he gives them away. Thanks, Mr. LePretre, you really know how to show what kindness and being a gentleman is all about!

When the Lepretre's were newlyweds, some of their fondest memories were making homemade ice cream, and cooking roast, rice and gravy, potato salad, and dried beans for their whole family. One of The LePetre's favorite past times is relaxing in their room and watching westerns and comedy on METV plus anything that the History or Discovery channels offer.

It's a pleasure having both of you at SWHR, Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Betty. You are both so loved and very dear to all of us.



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Our Mission

Our mission is to enable our residents to live life to its fullest, regardless of age or health, with compassion, understanding, respect, dignity, and caring support.

REMINDERS ...

- Please label your loved ones clothing and items, even if you do their laundry.
- Bring zip lock bags or sealed containers for food storage.
- Help keep your loved one's closet neat by cleaning it out seasonally.
- Please do not display items on lights.

Thanks!

Our lost and found items are located in the Laundry Department (periodically displayed in the Beauty Shop).



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