

# Around the Bend at Willowbend



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**DECEMBER  
2016**

## Honoring our Veterans

Willowbend veterans were celebrated in recognition of Veterans Day last month. They received a hat embroidered with their name and enjoyed cookies, ice cream, and punch. Our veterans enjoyed spending time with one another conversing about their experiences as soldiers. To those who formerly served and those serving today, we thank each and every one of you for your service.





**Resident  
of the Month**  
**Mr. James  
Martin**



**Employee  
of the Month**  
**Susan  
Byrd**

## Happy Birthday!

### Residents:

R. Alexander	12/04
C. Golden	12/05
J. Bailey	12/06
F. Slaughter	12/11
L. Mitchell	12/19
L. Williams	12/21
C. Points	12/23
B. Stone	12/28
F. Vaught	12/31

### Employees:

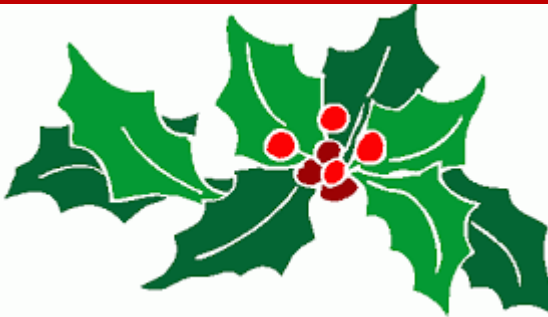
Susan Cordell	12/02
Donna Beard	12/10
Alfonzo Paige	12/11
Kay Kay Davis	12/18
Crystal Mangum	12/23
Brenda Stewart	12/29

## Going Green for National Dwarfism Awareness Month

Did you know October is National Dwarfism Awareness Month? Willowbend team members were proud to don their green apparel and accessories in honor of Dwarfism awareness. Facts we learned about Dwarfism, courtesy of the Little People of America organization:

- There are over 200 distinct types of dwarfism. The most common type is achondroplasia.
- Over 80% of people with dwarfism have average height parents, siblings, and children.
- It is very rare to have any type of mental impairment with dwarfism.
- Preferred terminology for someone with dwarfism is "short stature," "having dwarfism," "little person," or "dwarf."





**Merry Christmas from Willowbend!**

Join us for a fun-filled holiday evening on Thursday, December 22 at 4:00 PM. Families are more than welcome to join their loved ones for Christmas dinner and witness Santa pass out his gifts!



**Our Resident Poets**

Recently, a group of Willowbend residents got together to write an original poem. Poetry has been proven to be beneficial to the elderly as it helps provoke past memories, engages cognition, and is a wonderful outlet of expression.

Our residents' poem:

**"Home"**

There's nothing like a warm happy smile  
 As Mother was cooking in the kitchen  
 The children were taking a bath outdoors in a metal tub  
 As Mother was cooking in the kitchen  
 The clothes on the line were flying in the wind  
 As Mother was cooking in the kitchen  
 The other children were standing on the long windy staircase  
 Watching Mother cooking in the kitchen  
 Family waiting patiently with a warm happy smile  
 For Mother to finish the meal  
 She was cooking in the kitchen

*Written by: B. Goucher, U. Watson, V. Collom, and B. Riggs*

**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.

**Inspirational Quote of the Month**

"To strengthen the muscles of your heart, the best exercise is lifting someone else's spirit whenever you can."

- Dodinsky

**ABOUT US —**

Willowbend at Marion is conveniently located in the fast growing suburban community of Marion, Arkansas. Just two miles from West Memphis at I-55 and US Highway 64, and 14 miles from Memphis, we serve all of Crittendon County as well as Wynne, Forrest City, and the Metro Memphis, Tennessee area. Our newly renovated and refurnished home offers a safe, country-like setting that is both peaceful and inviting. We have a delightful home-style atmosphere with a pleasant and caring staff that treats all our residents like family. We love what we do and we have fun doing it.

## Willowbend at Marion

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We're on the Web!

See us at:

[www.willowbendatmarion.org](http://www.willowbendatmarion.org)

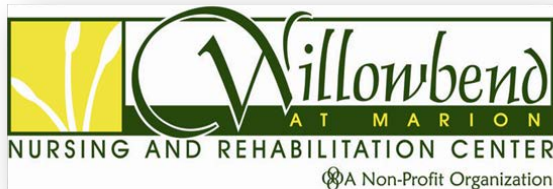
## Administrative Staff:

Administrator  
Director of Nursing  
Asst. Director of Nursing  
Business Office Manager  
MDS Coordinator  
MDS Coordinator  
Human Resources  
Marketing/Community Outreach  
Dietary Manager  
Housekeeping/Laundry  
Quality Assurance Nurse  
Maintenance Supervisor  
Life Enrichment Director  
Life Enrichment Director  
CNA Supervisor  
Social Services Director  
Treatment Nurse  
Transportation Coordinator

Jennifer Taylor  
Betty Beene  
Gabrielle Guy  
Judy O'Gwin  
Susan Cordell  
Amy Shinall  
Donna Beard  
Kay Kay Davis  
Jenny Barton  
Vicky Thornton  
LaTonya Haley Trotter  
Steve Sample  
Jessica Thrasher  
Rhonda Love  
Ann Bettis  
Jennifer Scott  
Sheri Hill  
Dennis Street

### REMINDERS ...

- Please bring any mail that you receive for the DHS office to the business office as soon as possible.
- 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 put any items brought to the facility for your loved one on the inventory sheet in their chart.



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