# MARWOOD MATTERS

Marwood's Resident & Family Newsletter | APRIL, 2024

#### **Administrator's Corner**

Brian J.Oberly

Thank you for your patience as we work to arrange the celebration of our \$220,000 rehab renovation project. Please join us in our excitement to share this wonderful space!

#### MARWOOD'S REHAB RENOVATION PROJECT IS COMPLETE!

#### Join us for an Open House on Wednesday, April 24, from 1-3 p.m. to see our newly-renovated, modern rehab gym.

Meet the staff and take a tour. Light refreshments will be served. Please enter through Independence Pointe entrance.

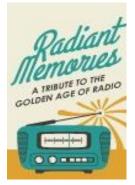
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# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Marwood National Nursing Home Week Events

### May 12 – 18, 2024

Sunday: PM- Mother's Day Special Treat Traveling Cart

Monday: Dress in your personality style

AM – Radio Reminisce; PM- Opening Social

**Tuesday:** Dress in music or radio shirts/attire

AM- Radio Trivia; PM- Bingo

Wednesday: Dress in favorite sports shirts/attire

AM – Pampering You; PM – Bingo

Thursday: Dress in patriotic colors/attire



AM – Pop up radio show/Name that Catch Phrase/ Radio Reminisce; PM USO/Patriotic Party

Friday: Dress in 1950s Attire

AM- Vintage Commercials; PM- 1950s Soda Shop Traveling Jukebox/ Radio inspired Exercise

#### The week also features:

- Morning Radio Announcements featuring staff and residents at Marwood
- Giant Crossword Puzzle Competition (Pods- Grand Central-Dove)

### NURSING HOME WEEK ACTIVITY

During Nursing Home week the activity department is looking to put together a slide show of some of Marwood's memorable moments. We are also looking to highlight special achievements of our residents and staff.

If you have a favorite Marwood memory or are aware of a special achievement of a resident or staff please share it via email or in writing with Suzanne Jackson at 810-966-5452 or sjackson@marwoodmanor.org or drop it at reception Attn: Suzanne Jackson.



### Congratulations to Kathy Thomas, February 2024, Employee of the Month

Kathy has been employed with Marwood Nursing & Rehab since June of 1978 as a Dietary Aide and Cook.

Kathy is the epitome of loyal. She comes to work every day and cares deeply for the residents and her co-workers. "She is a team player who is always willing to help others." "She is reliable and goes above and beyond every

chance she gets." "She makes sure that all of her tasks are completed before leaving for the day." "Kathy is kind to others and never hesitates to help when needed." "Working in the kitchen wouldn't be the same without her."

Over the years, Kathy has worked with and helped hundreds of employees who have passed through the doors at Marwood. She is a staple to the kitchen staff and to so many others who have had the pleasure to know her.

Congratulations Kathy! You are an excellent role model to all of us. Thank you for choosing to be part of the Marwood team! Your positive attitude and loyalty to the residents and your co-workers is appreciated more than you know.

#### JOIN OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

We created a new page recently and would love for you to follow us!

Search Marwood Nursing & Rehab for the correct page.

https://www.facebook.com/marwoodnursingandrehab/



# RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT... ROSEMARY EMBO



Rosemary was born and raised in Detroit. She and her nine siblings had lots of fun, and only occasional squabbles. She, being the fifth child, was naturally able to get along with everyone (at least most of the time). She met and married Dennis after high school. They moved to North Carolina in pursuit of his dream job. Having learned to drive, but never quite comfortable, her transportation options were more limited than in Detroit. Rosemary was a pro at the Detroit public transportation system, but Raleigh's didn't live up to

Detroit in this regard. Missing her large, boisterous family, Rosemary decided to fill her quiet hours while her husband was working with odd jobs. The most memorable being Wendy's, which was a convenient walk down the street. Because both of their families lived in Michigan, Dennis and Rosemary used most of his vacation time to visit family. In 2012, Dennis retired and the two of them moved to Port Huron. Rosemary enjoys crosswords, word search, spending time with her husband, and reading. She likes a nice clean murder mystery (not too racy, not too violent). The surprise endings are the best!

#### **GLORIA AUSTIN**



Gloria was born in Windsor Ontario. She met her husband, Walter, after work one day. She was chatting with some of her co-workers at the bus stop when a handsome young man stopped by in his uniform. The soldier ended up walking her home and they talked for hours while walking around the block. Walter, it turned out, was in the U.S. Airforce and had come across the border for a visit. Gloria and Walter were married in Canada. He was sent into action during World War II. When asked how it was to be a war

bride, Gloria stated, "I was very proud". Gloria got her U.S. Citizenship on July 25, 1956. She and Walter moved to the U.S., where they raised their four children (two boys and two girls). Gloria enjoyed being a mother and a wife, her family is her life.

Gloria enjoys to be out and about at Marwood and you may see her strolling the halls in her electric wheelchair. She enjoys meeting people. Her faith is very important to her and she enjoyed singing in the church choir. Gloria also enjoys crafts and is still knitting hats as well as relaxing with a little TV. Gloria's advice is when you get married, invest your time and energy in your family.



# **ART THERAPY SHOWCASE**

Exquisite Corpse Coffee Shop 410 Water Street, Port Huron



Marwood Nursing & Rehab is proud to support our residents in their second art show at The Exquisite Corpse Coffee Shop in downtown Port Huron.

Our residents, under the guidance of Marwood's Art Therapist, Sara Sharp, have been creating beautiful art work which they are proud to display. These artists not only worked in art therapy sessions, but also spent much of their own time creating and preparing their art. They found purpose and joy in this process. We are excited to share some of their experiences and expressions with the community during the month of April. We invite you to stop by the coffee shop to see their works on display. We are grateful to The Exquisite Corpse Coffee Shop for supporting local artists.

For questions, please call Sara at (810) 479-8948 or email her at <u>ssharp@marwoodmanor.org</u>.