



CountrySide Lakes

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Living Their Best Lives



JOYCE MCGRAW lives her best life fishing and JIM BROOKER loves to swim (*more inside*).



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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The dash.

When a person's life is immortalized, their date of birth and date of passing are separated by a dash. The dash represents the life lived. Not the length of time but the meaning of their life.

Many of our residents have led fascinating lives and continue to be amazing human beings. The meaning, purpose, and influence of their lives is a blessing.

A beautiful poem has been written about the dash. *"For it matters not how much we own, the cars, the house, the cash. What matters is how we live and love. And how we spend our dash."*

Everyone should reflect upon and give consideration to making changes in their life if needed. Being more understanding of the way other people feel, showing appreciation, treating others with respect, and wearing a smile is a wondrous way to *"spend our dash."*

Choosing to live your best life at CountrySide Lakes is a gift to us all, and we are grateful to know you and be in your company every day.

MANAGEMENT TEAM

TRUDY SIMMONS - Executive Director
PETER PAKURIS - Senior Marketing Director
KRIS WILLIAMS - Nursing Director
GEORGE GAUNT - Culinary Director
BARBARA LOVELACE - Lifestyle Director
ANDREW SWEENEY - Maintenance Director
CELIA LAUREANO - Housekeeping Director
CHAD OWENS - Physical Therapy Director
SHERI MARCUM - Business Office Manager



CHARLES CRAFT golfs



PAT KRIEGER plants



MARSHA SPAR paints



JEAN DEXTER plays cards



KATHY SANTI solves jigsaws



SUZANNE WALKER believes

RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT



GEORGE PHILLIPS lives his best life purposefully *"making people laugh and extending love."* He believes *"everyone is worthy and deserves a second chance in life."*

Born and raised in Astoria, NY, George is a graduate of Syracuse University and served as an officer in the U.S. Marines. He is the father of five sons and for many years owned and operated a successful business in artificial flowers, plants, and interior landscaping.

George introduced Tai Chi to CountrySide Lakes and leads the exercise classes. He wants every resident to benefit from its core muscle strengthening and improved balance.

George's philosophy in life is based on the teachings of Christ as expressed in the book *"A Course in Miracles."* He does not believe in coincidences and feels nothing happens by accident.

Spiritually, George knows *"one person can change the world."*



State Senator TOM WRIGHT, Chairman of Florida's Military and Veterans Affairs, visited our community and met with Lifestyle Director BARBARA LOVELACE and Executive Director TRUDY SIMMONS.



- 8/3 JOHN KLEYNENBERG
- 8/3 RUTH SMITH
- 8/4 PAULINE MUNN
- 8/6 JOHN SAUNDERS
- 8/10 KATHLEEN PETERSON
- 8/11 KATHY SANTI
- 8/12 BOBBY KLEIBER
- 8/13 THERESA COMO
- 8/15 DAVID CARPENTER
- 8/27 ANN LOMBARDO
- 8/29 DOT VINING
- 8/31 MELANIE BUCCOLA

"Love the life you live. Live the life you love." - Bob Marley

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



LINDA WEBSTER is the face of CountrySide Lakes. As our talented and fashionable front desk Concierge, she provides a positive first impression of our community to visitors.

Born and raised in Knoxville, Tennessee, Linda owned and operated a popular snack bar known for her famous chili and hot tamales. She loved her days in Knoxville, the home of the "Tennessee Volunteers."

Linda joined CSL in 2008 and feels her position is the best job she has ever had in her life. She often says, "I absolutely love all the residents and value the relationships I have made over the years with their family members."

Linda is the proud mother of a daughter, two grandchildren, and seven great-grands. Her late husband, Dannie Webster, was our former Chaplain and Pastor.

Congratulations, Linda.

CORNHOLE MADNESS



Who knew Director of Nursing KRIS WILLIAMS was such a fierce cornhole competitor? Her reaction to missing by an inch is hilarious.

STAFF BIRTHDAYS

- 8/6 LILIA BURNS
- 8/14 JESSICA HADSELL
- 8/15 DEBRA RICH
- 8/21 DAMIAN REYES
- 8/23 KRIS WILLIAMS
- 8/28 NOAH MEAD



Calling all singers, musicians, dancers, and comedians. Be part of the fun. Contact BARBARA LOVELACE if you are interested.



Chorus performance with JOAN LONERGAN, SARAH CARPENTER, DOT GROSSNICKLE, ANNE COSENZA, KATHY MCMINN, DAVID BRADDISH, DAVID TANAJES, IVY BEDELL, DOREEN BROWNING, KATHY SANTI, MARSHA SPAR, PAT BARNES, KLARA KERN, JOYCE MIRABAL, BETTY SOUTH (Director) and STEWART SPAR (Piano)



Classical music lovers MARSHA SPAR, STEWART SPAR, JANE MARINE, BARBARA RUSKIN, JEAN DOLEN, NANCY MOETZ, PRISCILLA BRODIE, SUZANNE WALKER, LEFKI DEMOPOULOS, MARVIN KINDY, IVY BEDELL, DAVID TANAJES, MARY WHITE, and KLARA KERN