



# One-to-One

## 2017 Volunteer Awards



2017

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Gloria White

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Methodist Village Sr. Living

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Paris H&R

Pink Bud Nursing Center

Sequoyah East Nursing Center

St. Scholastica

Valley Springs H&R

Van Buren H&R

The 2017 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon was held in our very own **Spring Flower Garden!** All of our volunteers were honored and special awards presented to five nominees that met the award requirements. Awards were presented by **Mayor Sandy Sanders, Sr. Judith Marie Keith, RSM and Executive Director, Marian Conrad. Candace Ezekiel**, of DHS Aging and Adult Services A+ Team, was honored with the **Gloria White Community Angel Award.** Candace works directly with clients and families and is very active in the community pulling together many agencies who serve senior citizens in this area.



**Candace Ezekiel**  
**2017 Gloria White Community Angel**



**2017 Volunteer Award Recipients**  
(L-R) Candace Ezekiel, Sherry Bracken, Jenah Shipman, Tami Coddington, Ebba Jarvis

The 2017 Volunteer of the Year award honored **Ebba Jarvis** of Methodist Village Senior Living and **Sherry Bracken** of Fort Smith H&R. Rookie of the Year awards went to **Tami Coddington** of Methodist Village Senior Living and **Jenah Shipman** of Chapel Ridge H&R. Each of these volunteers visit residents faithfully and light up their facilities with smiles and joy. As individuals, they do many other things including pet therapy, gardening projects, crocheting lap quilts, calling bingo, and writing cards. We love and appreciate all of our volunteers! This annual event is a time to relax, renew spirits, and celebrate. Our gorgeous spring garden setting was "planted" by volunteers **Karen Lewis** and **Sue McCoy** with help from Board members **Jean Fleming** and **Pat Fellner.** **Martha Johnson** took guests into the relaxing and healing world of Whispering Spirits Music and Wellness.



(L-R) **Sue McCoy, Karen Lewis, and Jean Fleming** arrange a flower cart that welcomed guests to the spring garden and Season of Hope.



**Martha Johnson** of Whispering Spirits Music and Wellness playing the Native American Flute.

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# Project Compassion

Our Mission:  
"Bringing Joy  
Companionship,  
and Quality of Life  
to Nursing Home  
Residents"

## Health and Wellness

### Adult Team Tennis Championship

 It was a fun-filled weekend in May at our Tennis Championship held at Ben Geren Tennis Center! Players enjoyed Mimosas and snacks all weekend with a lunch on Saturday. A bottle of wine was awarded to the First Place

and Runner Up teams. Thank you to all of our participant's, sponsors and volunteers.



### Sprint for Compassion - 5k 10k & 1 Mile



The Third Annual Sprint for Compassion was held in conjunction with the Euper Lane Elementary Farmers Market on Saturday, April 22. Euper Lane students, parents, teachers, and other partners rallied to make



Farmers Market Buddies

it a successful and fun day! Colleen Orick, (P.E. teacher) challenged students to run and beat her time! Those that met the challenge earned incentives like extra recess or a free pizza lunch! Thanks to all of the classes and groups who participated in the Farmer's Market and to all runners/walkers!



# Greenhurst Nursing Center's Annual Fishing Derby

It was a beautiful day for area nursing home residents to enjoy fishing, visiting and a cookout! Greenhurst Nursing Center hosted the annual Fishing Derby in May with students from Charleston Elementary joining in the fun! Students visited and fished with the residents, played games, and had a picnic lunch!



Keith Lau, Fort Smith Board of Directors, presented a Proclamation to Project Compassion declaring May 15-21 "National Nursing Home Appreciation Week". The kickoff event was at Fian-na Hills Nursing & Rehab. All area facilities celebrated National Nursing Home week with staff members and residents participating in cook outs, picnics, tug-of-war, staff pie eating contests and many more fun events!

## National Nursing Home Week 2017



Melissa Curry, PC Board Member/Admin. Methodist Senior Living



Karen Mundy, Administrator, Fianna Hills Nursing and Rehabilitation



Mother's Day at Chapel Ridge H&R



Pike Elem. Students sang and celebrated with residents

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### Bean Bag Baseball Tournament!!



1st Place Nursing Home Event - Valley Springs



1st Place Assisted Living Event - Mercy Crest

### Welcome Board Member!

We welcome **Nicholas Huisman** to our **Board of Directors!** Nicholas is a native of Minnesota and has been a very involved citizen of Ft. Smith since his arrival five years ago. He is a member of the Noon Exchange Club and works with several local nonprofits. Nicholas is on track to reach one of his personal goals of becoming a professional triathlete!



**Nicholas Huisman**  
New Board Member

### Welcome Volunteers!

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| Amber Henson     | Elizabeth Valle   |
| Nicholas Huisman | Charlotte Stevens |
| Denise Johnson   | Dillon Ward       |
| Kayla Lewis      |                   |

