

# NEWSLETTER

April-June 2023

In an effort to do our part to help the environment, we are happy to announce that our Newsletter is available online at www.ctkmanor.org. We will be happy to send you a reminder of when it's available by sending us your email address and contact information to info@christthekingmanor.org.

### MASKS OFF!

ur team worked tirelessly the past three years to ensure the health, safety, and comfort of our residents through the COVID-19 pandemic. The most striking visual change was our policy for all staff and visitors to be masked inside our facility. While this was a necessary protective measure, the smiles shared by staff and family members were hidden away.

With the ending of the Public Health Emergency on May 11, 2023, we updated our policies and protocols to adjust to current recommendations. Masking is no longer required for staff or visitors to our facility, but you may wear one for your comfort. When cases of COVID-19 occur, masks will be required for direct caregivers.

The support and commitment we received from our staff and community during the Public Health Emergency were critical for lessened transmission at the peak of the emergency. We thank you endlessly for your consideration and compassion toward our residents. Expect to see a lot more smiles moving forward!









## INDEPENDENT LIVING COOKOUT

Special thanks to all those in our maintenance department, Community Center, and administrative team who made our Independent Living cookout a resounding success! Great food, great conversation, and great times were had by all! Keep an eye out for more events and celebrations as we enter the summer months!





### NURSE AIDE TRAINING PROGRAM





Our Nurse Aide Training Program graduated four members of our team on June 1, and we could not be more proud! Thank you to our educator, Trisha Cowan, and good luck to Amber, Hannah, Brooke, and Camielle as they begin their careers as Certified Nursing Assistants!

## CARE & COMPASSION VENDOR FAIR

he Care & Compassion Committee at Christ the King Manor works to serve residents and staff that have encountered financial hardships. They also help fulfill the dreams of residents with the donations they receive. The Fundraising Subcommittee hosted a Spring Vendor Fair that brought the community together for a great cause. Thanks to all those who made the fair possible.



### FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR



Financial planning is of the utmost importance throughout life, which includes planning for aging. Thank you to Jeanny Montgomery Scott, Compass Elder Law, Baronick Funeral Services, and our own representatives for making this secondannual seminar an informative, impactful event. It is never too early to be prepared!

# DCC PASSION PLAY & EASTER

Every Lenten season, students from DuBois Central Catholic prepare a Passion of the Christ play that walks through the Stations of the Cross. Our residents gather in our Chapel to watch their powerful performance. Thank you to the students and teachers at DCC for their hard work. The future of our community is in great hands with such an intelligent group of students led by extraordinary teachers. They help us all understand the meaning of the Easter season.











# EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH



Lorrie Shelstad started her career at CTKM with our Home Support Team, but since she transitioned to our Personal Care Team, she's learned and grown so much in her new role. She became a Med Tech, took mentor training to become our second-shift mentor for PCAs and Med Techs, and took charge as our second-shift lead Med Tech. She's always helpful to others, including her residents, and she'll stop whatever she's doing to make sure everyone gets what they need. Thank you for everything you do, and congrats again!

To cap off National Nurses Week and to honor one of our best and brightest, we'd like to congratulate Arden Lockitski, RN, as our Employee of the Month for May! Arden has so much compassion for our residents and our team. She's always ready to help anyone in need, and she goes above and beyond to make CTKM a home away from home for our residents. Her expertise as an RN Supervisor helps our Nursing Team operate at the highest level. We can't say enough about her dedication and hard work.





Congratulations to Tina Hamaker, our Employee of the Month for June! Tina is beloved by her residents and was recommended by numerous family members for this well-deserved honor. Her decades of service to Christ the King Manor and her community have not gone unnoticed or unappreciated. Please help us thank Tina for everything she does every day to help our team. Congratulations, Tina!

### CELEBRATING MILESTONES

his spring featured multiple milestone anniversaries, birthdays, and celebrations at Christ the King Manor. We are so thankful to have the dedication of our staff and community, which is reflected every time we celebrate a milestone. We have proudly served our community for more than 50 years, which can seem short in comparison to some of these milestones!







Happy 100th Birthday to the lovely Kathryn Miksich! We're so happy your family was able to come for your party. Thank you to Senator Cris Dush and PA State Rep. Mike Armanini for honoring Kathryn. Special thanks to her nephew, Dennis Skubisz, who helped coordinate the private family party.



Congratulations to Monsignor Joseph Bobal on the 60th anniversary of his ordination. Msgr. Bobal was honored at daily mass this morning and is pictured here with Father Matias Quimno and Sister Monica Bobal, his sister. Please join us in thanking Msgr. Bobal for his many years of dedicated service!







Twenty years ago, our former Director of Activities Kim McMonagle connected with Ed Reich, and he started volunteering weekly for Bible Study with our residents. Today, we celebrated the anniversary of his volunteering with a party in his honor. Thank you for your 20 years of Bible Study, Interfaith Services, and the comfort you've brought to so many of our residents!

## SAFE DRIVING COURSE

hank you to Seniors for Safe Driving for allowing us to host your informative, insightful, and beneficial course in our Community Center. The Mature Driver Improvement Course brought around 60 drivers to our campus, and the information provided will give them the confidence to stay safe on the road. Thanks for bringing such a great program to our residents and those from the community who joined us!



### ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS WEEK









hank you to the administrative professionals that work behind the scenes and at the front desk to ensure everything we do runs smoothly. We could not operate the way we do without your dedication, expertise, and teamwork. Thank you for always putting our residents and each other before yourselves. Your contributions do not go unnoticed!

# NURSING ASSISTANTS WEEK

Our Certified Nursing Assistants are truly second to none! Some joined our team from other facilities and others came up through our Nurse Aide Training Program, and they are simply the best team around. Our residents rely on their direct care, day in and day out, to make their lives comfortable and healthy. They are the front line team that become like family for many of our residents. Their compassion and expertise make everyone else's lives easier. They are the backbone of any nursing facility, and we are lucky to have the best group. If you see a CNA today, thank them for everything they do. Their week of recognition was in June, but they deserve our admiration every day!

# Thank you to all of our CNAs!









# NURSING HOME WEEK

very May, we celebrate all our accomplishments and perseverance with Nursing Home Week. We thank our staff for their hard work, we play games, we eat great food, and we create new ways to show our appreciation for one another.

We got new shirts, went down on the farm, showed our CTKM pride, dressed for a costume contest, and ended the week with a cookout. Baby picture guessing and trivia made for some fun competition, and we sent lucky winners to the Pittsburgh Zoo and Del Grosso's Amusement Park.

Nursing Home Week is always a blast, but this was our favorite one yet!





















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# ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS MONTH





elen McKendree is an Alzheimer's disease advocate through and through. Her passion for helping others led her to Harrisburg with the PA Alzheimer's and dementia advocates to witness the House Aging and Older Adult Services Committee unanimously pass House Resolution 77, which regognized June as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness month in the state.

The group met with Senator Doug Mastriano (above) to discuss treatments and funding programs to slow the progression of Alzheimer's disease. Helen organizes a group from the community to annually participate in the Alzheimer's awareness walk, and her dedication is inspiring. With so many families impacted by the effects of the disease, we thank Helen for her tireless contributions.

# FUN IN ACTIVITIES!













# Memorializing loved ones

#### In Memory of:

#### Requested by:

Andrew Reed

Bill Good

Catherine Ober

Daureen Perdue

Donald Godak

Edward and Georgia LaValle and the Royal Inn

James and Ann Curtis

Ben and Kathleen Blakley

Louis and Janice Russell

Irene Rasavage

Phoebe (Ober) Snyder

Marsha Gustafson

Amber Harrison

Laura Church

Kristi Frush

Bill Braid

Patti Ryba

Paul Beatty Jewelers

Linda Romeo

Annette and Denny Skraba

Judi Davis

The Greta Notto Family

Paul and Marian Kline

John and Janet Caruso

Joe and Valerie Smerick

Jim and Patty Smerick

Theresa Heilman

Jim and Connie Carley

Doug and Darla Dickey

Gary and Alexis Stetz

Joel and Maria Hibbard

Fred and Linda Burkhart

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#### In Memory of:

#### Requested by:

Donald Hannah

Carol Ann Brodie Rose Maxwell

Belva and Clarence Mitchell

Gary and Severia Hanst

Glenn and Margaret Henery

Kristen Meterko and The Meterko's

Nancy Williams

Jim and Darla Shaffer

Penn Highlands - DuBois

Donald J. Parulo

Donald Liedl Sr.

Geneva Malewicz

John and Janet Caruso

Sam and Nancy McNaughton

Patti Ryba

Ann Malasky

Buzz and Shelly DiGilarmo

Dorothy Scull

Jackie and Al Quagliotti

Eddie and Patty Neff

Lee and Ronald Burkhart

Sonja B. Stefanadis

Alyse Franklin

Ed and Valerie Nowak

Shirley Tubbs

The LaBrasca Family

Marsha Gustafson

Raymond Lockitski

Daniel and Anjanette Stahlman

James Wilbert

Joanne Wachob

John Landini

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#### In Memory of:

#### Requested by:

Anna Jane Toney and Family

Mary Lynn Portzer

John and Janet Caruso

Donald and Linda Dyer

Marsha Gustafson

John and Janet Caruso

Irene Rasavage

Susan Lohman

Robert and Carol Connacher/Dorothy

Armanini Family

Patricia Ryba

John and Janet Caruso

M/M Dominic Barilar

Amy Snyder and Staff at Walmart Pharmacy

Patricia Ryba

Diane, Laura and Paula Lachesky

Patti Ryba

Patrick Bolam

Tom and Bridget Rubritz

Msgr. Charles A. Kaza

Michael and Linda Olivio

Laura LaBrasca

John and Mary Joan Yargar

John and Janet Caruso

John Wells

Loretta Marzucco

Marjorie R. Pasi

Rebecca 'Becky' Shoemaker

Theresa Uvena

Thomas C. DePue

William J. Good



Heartfelt condolences are extended to the families and friends of the following residents who God has called home since our last newsletter.



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Career Opportunities: https://www.ctkmanor.org/employment

Donate: https://www.ctkmanor.org/donate

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### SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS

We want to see your pictures at Christ the King Manor. If you have pictures related to our residents, employees, or facilities that you would like to share in the next CTKM Newsletter, please email them to:

hsutter@christthekingmanor.org.

If you are interested in supporting us, please cut out and send the donation slip back to us at 1100 W Long Ave in DuBois. Alternatively, go to ctkmanor.org/donate to contribute online.

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<sup>\*</sup> In an effort to Go Green, Christ The King Manor would like to collect email addresses so we can provide the option to distribute information electronically to the Auxiliary members. \*