# March & April 2016



### Thelma's Place Activities and Care

A Nice Place To Call Home

Memory loss and other cognitive changes characteristic of Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia can't be reversed. But there are some proven ways to delay further decline, over the short term.

A growing body of research indicates that stimulating the brain has the power to slow the progress of Alzheimer's, particularly in early stages. More frequent cognitive activity across the life span is linked to slower cognitive decline later in life.

Thelma's Place is a non-profit care center created to provide families a rest from care-giving. Those with Alzheimer's or other dementia conditions might best be served at home, but when a break is needed, Thelma's Place can care for your loved one with the same compassion you provide at home. Our vision at Thelma's Place is to act as a small community that is uniquely equipped to meet the needs of elderly participants, enriching their lives by providing a warm family atmosphere, caring support, and engaging activities appropriate to their lifestyle.

Our program provides respite service focusing on individual strengths and interests, activities that cognitively stimulate and education designed to help compensate some



of the memory loss attributes of Alzheimer's...all in an environment that is built on the core values of love and hope.

Our staff know each participant as an

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Life Enrichment Director: Kristie Saulsbury kristis@countrysideliving.com individual. All of our highly-trained staff and volunteers are passionate about what they do – providing the absolute highest level of care.

Programs like Thelma's Place encourage participants to take part in things they finds pleasurable, especially mind engaging activities such as: reading, writing, playing the piano, working crosswords or puzzle books, playing games such as chess or dominoes, even singing their favorite songs, but most of all, presenting them with fresh materials and plenty of opportunities.

Research suggests that activities are especially protective when they involve interacting with others. Those who are socially active tend to have fewer memory problems than those who are reclusive. If you or someone you know is interested in the support and care that Thelma's Place provides, please contact us for more information or to request a tour.

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March	h 2016					
Sunday Game Day	Monday Craft Day	Tuesday <i>Music Day</i>	Wednesday Nail and Spa Day	Thursday Food and Travel Day	Friday y A Day of Reminisco	Saturday e Comedy Day
Daily Events Include: Town Hall Exercises Sensory and Music Ion1 and Group - Activities		<b>1.</b> Town Hall Exercises Walk to Waite Park Spring Sing Along Afternoon Coco	2. Town Hall Meeting Beauty Hour Trip to Tillamook Cheese Factory	<b>3.</b> Town Hall Travel Baking Hour Music with Molli @3pm	4. Town Hall Exercises Painting Memories Devotional Hour Pictionary	<b>5.</b> Town Hall Exercises Happy Hour Drinks Laurel And Hardy Joke Time
<b>6.</b> Town Hall Sunday Paper Baking w/ Residents Bingo Party	7. Town Hall Springtime Crafts Walk to Waite Park Trip to World Speed Museum	<b>8.</b> Town Hall Haircare with Becky Spring Tea Party and Sing Along	<b>9.</b> Town Hall Meeting Beauty Hour Barber Shop Shaves Cucumber Facials	<b>10.</b> Town Hall Meeting Arm Chair Travel: The Grand Canyon	<b>11.</b> Town Hall Exercises March Journaling Music with George @ 3pm	12. Saturday Luncheon 12-2 Music with Stan the Piano Man!
<b>13.</b> Sunday Paper Coupon Cut out Casino Game Day Inspirational Reading	14. Town Hall St. Patty's Day Crafts Music with James @2pm	<b>15.</b> Town Hall Exercises Walk to Waite Park Resident Birthday Party	<b>16.</b> Men's Breakfast: Top O' Hill Town Hall Meeting Beauty Hour	17. Town Hall Meeting Mexican Food Hour Music with Piano Pete @ 3pm	<b>18.</b> Town Hall Exercises Painting Memories Guitar with Tim @ 3pm	<b>19.</b> Town Hall Meeting Saturday Morning Walk Happy Hour Drinks
<b>20.</b> Town Hall Sunday Paper Inspirational Reading	21. Town Hall Springtime Crafts Walk to Waite Park Music with Bob @ 3pm	22. Town Hall Haircare with Becky Spring Tea Party and Sing Along	23. Morning Exercises Ladies Lunch: Pappy's Greasy Spoon Nails/Spa/Shave	24. Town Hall Travel: Lousianna Piano with Lori Byers @ 3pm	25. Town Hall Exercises Journaling to Remember Devotional Hour	<b>26.</b> Town Hall Exercises Happy Hour Drinks Laurel And Hardy Joke Time
27. Town Hall Sunday Paper Baking w/ Residents Bingo Party	<b>28.</b> Town Hall African themed crafts Music with Molli @ 3pm Movie: Forrest Gump	<b>29.</b> Town Hall Exercises Walk to Waite Park Wooden Shoe Tulip Festival Trip	<b>30.</b> Town Hall Meeting Beauty Hour Barber Shop Shaves Pedicures	<b>31.</b> Town Hall Travel: Philadelphia Baking Hour: Afternoon Dessert	Resident Birthdays Betty S. 3/13 Evelyn P. 3/17 Doris M. 3/22 Marie N. 3/24 Millie L. 3/26 Margie C. 3/30	Employee Birthdays Tyler N. 3/9 Damian A. 3/15 Gloria C. 3/27 Alexis G. 3/27 Gaby L. 3/28

# Our Residents in Action





**Cubano Sandwich** 

Silver Star Program Has one of our employees done something special for you today?

Please tell us about it.

Last year's winner Stephanie Oliver won a trip to the destination of her choice!!!! If you'd like to nominate someone for doing an outstanding job, please fill out a ballot.

# Cubano Sandwich Recipe

**Ingredients:** 

- 1 loaf Cuban bread, sliced lengthwise
- 1/2 stick (1/4 cup) unsalted butter, softened
- 3 tablespoons yellow mustard, or to taste
- 1 1/2 pounds boiled ham, sliced
- 1 1/2 pounds roasted pork , sliced
- 1 pound Swiss cheese, sliced
- 1 cup dill pickle chips, or to taste

#### Instructions

#### 1. Assemble the sandwich

Spread 2 tablespoons of the butter on one half of the bread loaf and a thin layer of mustard on the other. Place 1 to 2 layers of ham, pork, cheese, and, finally, pickles on the buttered bread and top with the mustardspread bread.

#### **Employees of the Month 2016**

#### January

Tammy Weich & Zori Stephenson

**February** Beronica Allen & Emma Traveno

#### 2. Wrap the sandwich in foil

Smear the remaining butter all over the outside of the sandwich and wrap it completely in aluminum foil.

#### 3. Press and grill the sandwich

- Heat your grill to high (550°F) and close the lid. Wait at least 15 minutes before lowering the heat to medium-high (450°F) and continuing.
- Before grilling the sandwich, press down on it with your hands to flatten it. Place the wrapped, flattened sandwich on the grill and top with a brick, grill press, or any other heavy, heat-resistant object. Close the lid and grill for 5 to 6 minutes per side.
- Remove the wrapped sandwich from the grill and take off the foil. Return the sandwich to the grill and grill for about 2 to 3 minutes per side, or until both pieces of bread are crispy and golden brown.

#### 4. Slice and serve

Remove the sandwich from the grill and cut at an angle into small sandwich wedges (triangles). Place on a large platter and serve while still hot.

#### **New Employees:**

#### **Please Welcome:**

Christi Hernandez- Caregiver

Tyler Nugent- Chef

Erik Jacobsen- Activities

Stefani Reed- Caregiver

Sarai Cardenas- Caregiver

## **Our New Redmond location is now OPEN!**





# Whoopsy Daisy Child Care

Coming soon to our Redmond location is Whoopsy Daisy intergenerational Child Care where we provide a safe and educational setting offering a play based curriculum. Our goal is to provide children with a fun environment allowing us to build active minds, healthy bodies and happy hearts.

At Whoopsy Daisy, we are embedded in the past, present and future, bridging the gap between young and old. This innovative program provides child care for ages 3-6 years old and includes

interaction with participants in our adult day respite program, Thelma's Place as well as our residents at Country Side Living. An amazing thing happens when the young and elderly share the same space in an intergenerational program. The attention and encouragement of senior's help children flourish academically, socially and emotionally. Additionally, children learn to respect older adults and become compassionate for their physical limitations. Residents and participants can share their

stories and lives to maintain their self-worth and stay young at heart due to the life, spirit and joy that children bring. Each day Whoopsy Daisy children will have an opportunity to gather with our participants, sharing in activities such as sing-a-longs, baking cookies or crafting together. There is never a shortage of happy smiles and laughter. A special bond forms that rises above differences in age and ability. We offer a beautiful, comfortable setting, outdoor play area, games, toys, crafts, books and educational tools.

#### **Residents of the Month**

Linda Nelson Canby South Jacqueline Floyd Canby North

Monica Kribs Redmond







**Upcoming Events** 

St. Patrick's Lunch March 12, 2016, 12-2pm

**Spring Fling Luncheon** April 23, 2016, 12-2pm



Residents Corner





# Administrator's Corner by Brittany Schwabauer

Children are often fearful, hesitant and shy when being introduced to the elderly for the first time. They see people with grey hair, wrinkled skin, knotted hands who are staring, reaching out, smiling; making all the effort in the world to be one with that child. It is important to make that child feel comfortable around their elderly family members to maintain a healthy, loving relationship. Sharing a favorite snack, listening to music, coloring, watching a favorite television show or movie, playing a game, looking at photos are all good ways for the elderly and children to create and/or maintain their bond. Learning new ways to sustain loving relationships can ensure that the elderly can continue to play a role in the lives of the children. It is Country Side Living's goal to integrate these two entities as one, not only for the sheer happiness of the elderly but for the education of today's children.

# Why You Should Let Go and Just Go With the Flow

Forget trying to control every little detail. Life is lots more fun (and less stressful) when you let go from the get-go. "SURRENDER." By Judith Orloff, MD

In my own life I've realized that if something isn't going my way, I need to surrender. Because when you accept what is instead of focusing only on what you want, you'll feel happier and be more successful. Follow these tips and start getting more in sync with the world around you:

Breathe deeply for three minutes, focusing on a time you felt happy. Ask yourself your question (e.g., Should I volunteer for that project?).

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Be aware of your body without overthinking.

Notice any gut feelings. If you keep going full tilt day after day, your stress hormones-cortisol and adrenaline-will surge. By hitting the Reset button, you'll gain clear-headedness. Spending time not making any decisions, checking e-mail or your phone. So can trying the following, as often as possible:

• If you have only a few minutes, do everything more mindfully, savoring the experience.

- Get out in nature.
- Take a yoga class, read or just veg.

• If an argument is dragging on, ask yourself: Is there another way to go?



• Practice letting others be right about tiny things, like where to eat.

Let others be right about bigger issues. Maybe we'd all be happier if we had a "not-to-do list." Try these tips:

- Set your sights lower.
- Swap to-do's for pleasurable moments.
- Forget the 10% that isn't working in your life, relax your body, and just - LET GO.

#### Get more mileage out of your car

If you are thinking about selling or trading in your car, consider donating it to Thelma's Place. It's easy! We accept cars, trucks, RVs and boats - and they don't have to run! We'll even pick up the vehicle from you at your convenience.

Remember this is a tax deductible donation.

To arrange for a vehicle donation please call **Thelma's Place** in Canby or Redmond.

# **Canby Support Meetings**

Family members past and present and the community are invited to the support group meeting the 4th Wednesday each month, at Thelma's Place, 6:00 - 7:30pm.

Call our Canby location for more information.

# **Thelma's Place Adult Day Respite**

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