



# Twin Oaks Estate

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## Understanding Dementia

Dementia is a loss of brain function that occurs with certain diseases. It affects memory, thinking, language, judgement and behavior. Most types of dementia are non-reversible. Nonreversible means the changes in the brain that are causing the dementia cannot be turned back. Alzheimers disease is the most common type of dementia. Dementia also can be due to many small strokes. There are other medical conditions that can also lead to dementia. If you would like to learn more about dementia we will be offering an informational program.

Corliss Christopher, RN, BSN

with

Seasons Hospice and Pallative Care

Presents an evening of learning, understanding and signs to look for.

February 8, 2012

In our main dining room at 6:30pm

Please plan on attending!



## Valentine Day Coronation

February 14th at 11am

Crowning of the Twin Oaks Estate

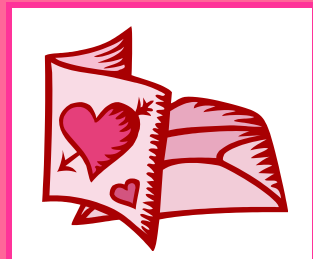
Queen, King and Court !

We will be enjoying an afternoon of love with our favorite "love song" crooner, Gary Goza



## Birthdays

Cecilia Miller Feb. 21  
Fran Basmajy Feb.24  
Verena Fann Feb. 7  
Jerry Ridge Feb. 21  
Darlene Moore Feb.2  
Heather Petrosky Feb. 10  
Mary Centerino Feb. 22  
Nancy Roberts Feb. 1  
Frank Smart Feb. 27



## Anniversaries

Anita Jackson 13 years  
Michelle Reelitz 9 years  
Lisa Fnoch 5 years  
Kim May 5 years  
Patrick Schroeder 1 year

## Tracey's Tales...



Happy New Year!

There are always many blessings among us... for one must simply open his eyes to see. Here at Twin Oaks, each resident is a blessing to us. I hope that the new year is finding you happy and healthy!

Our New Year's Eve Big Money Bingo party was a fun-filled evening of Bingo, snacks and hot fudge-brownie sundaes! After filling up on goodies, playing bingo, and drawing names for prizes—our residents had a New Year's Eve countdown; making lots of noise to ring in the New Year!

We are so fortunate to have Rev. Lloyd Hackbarth with us every Monday for a special non-denominational service. Reverend Hackbarth also helps us with special healing words when loved ones pass away.

Twin Oaks residents have had a very fun month! Movie-goers LOVED the movie 'We Bought A Zoo'. There wasn't a dry eye in the theater! The residents took a trip to Alton to see the eagles and enjoyed yummy fried chicken from KFC. Missouri Show Me Life group visited us and entertained with music, singing, and comedy... we hope to have them back soon!

We also look forward to visiting Ameristar Casino... hoping to hit the BIG JACKPOT! Momma needs a new pair of shoes!

May you have the hindsight to know where you've been... the foresight to know where you are going... and the insight to know when you have gone too far.

Tracey

### Chaplain's Corner:

"Embraceable you!" Remember Frank Sinatra singing the words, "I love the many charms about you; above all I want these arms about you, my sweet embraceable you"?

Yes it is romantic love that can spark this kind of embrace. But more important, is that God's love sparks an even more intimate embrace. You are a lamb in his arms; he holds you close to his heart. Your Shepherd- God has surrounded you with his most tender loving care!

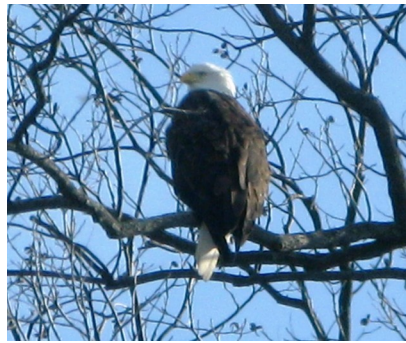
But what makes you this irresistible you? Are you so charming and so loving that no one can resist you? We know the truth! The picture is: wrinkles, skin blotches, stares, hard of hearing, hard to please; all the result because we are by nature sinful and unclean. There is no charm. But there is the grace of your Lord Jesus! Because you are accepted and forgiven, the saving work of Jesus is all about THE EMBRACEABLE YOU!

This Valentine's Day may this love of Jesus fill your hearts and lives with a love that shared with all those who may be near and dear to you as well as those who may be unloving or not even known to you.

Reverend Lloyd Hackbarth



*Our trip to Alton to see the eagles*



## *Resident of the Month*

Margaret Barta was born in St. Louis, Missouri to Tom and Bertha O'Shea. She had two sisters and one brother. Margaret was born on March 31st. She attended school at St. Vincent's. After graduating Margaret worked at a factory and did housework for families. At the factory job she met a nice man named Bill Barta. Bill actually grew up only one block from where Margaret grew up. Bill sold newspapers as a kid. One day Bill asked Margaret for a date. Well the rest is history. On June 16, 1945 Margaret became Mrs. William Barta. The story of their marriage day is sort of different. Margaret was at her job and the priest called to say that he could marry them that night at 7pm. The bride to be called her fiancé and told him what the priest had said. She even gave him the chance to say no, but good old Bill went to the church and was married at 7pm. Soon baby Richard was born and mom and dad loved their little son. Bill supported his family by working for the Nabisco Company, in the office. Margaret loves good music, dancing, collecting glass slippers, certain Teddy Bears and being at Twin Oaks! We are so happy to say that Margaret has been part of our Twin Oaks family since October 7, 2008.



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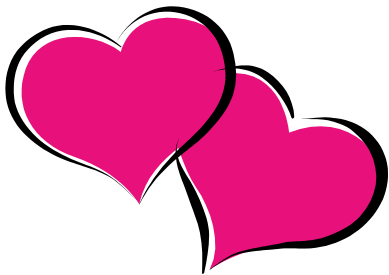
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Employees and Residents are hoping and praying for a full recovery for Sam Taylor (son of Tim and Lisa Taylor) Lisa is one of our Twin Oaks receptionists. **WAKE UP SAM!**

### Some of our blessings...

We welcome Sylvia Sureig, Doris Sigmund and Anna Wright to our home. We hope that they love Twin Oaks as much as we do.

Our hearts were saddened by the passing of Pearl Hays. Pearl will be missed by all of us as well as her three children, six grandchildren and six great grandchildren. God Bless Pearlie.

For those of you that know our dear employee, Lisa Taylor, her family and her son Sam, we would like to extend our prayers and well wishes as Sam continues in his recovery. Sam is recovering from brain tumor surgery. If you would like to donate to the fund that is set up for the family please contact Kim Bauer: [kimlbauer.bauer@gmail.com](mailto:kimlbauer.bauer@gmail.com).

Christmas brought out the best in all of us. We helped many families with our Twin Oaks Food Drive. Thanks to each and every one of you that made a contribution and we look forward to helping others in 2012!

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