

Orchard

HEIGHTS

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TRANSPORTATION

Monday, 9 a.m.-Noon: Shopping

Tuesday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.: Appointments

Wednesday, 9 a.m.: Outing

Thursday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.: Appointments

Friday, 9 a.m.-Noon: Shopping

HAWTHORN
SENIOR LIVING



Jeremy was born with a twisted body, a slow mind, and a chronic, terminal illness that had been slowly killing him all his young life. Still, his parents tried to give him as normal a life as possible and sent him to St. Theresa's Elementary School.

At the age of 12, Jeremy was only in second grade, seemingly unable to learn. His teacher, Doris Miller, often became exasperated with him. He would squirm in his seat, drool and make grunting noises. At other times, he spoke clearly and distinctly, as if a spot of light had penetrated the darkness of his brain. Most of the time, however, Jeremy irritated his teacher. One day, she called his parents and asked them to come to St. Teresa's for a consultation.

As the Forresters sat quietly in the empty classroom, Doris said to them, "Jeremy really belongs in a special school. It isn't fair to him to be with younger children who don't have learning problems. Why, there is a five-year gap between his age and that of the other students!"

Mrs. Forrester cried softly into a tissue while her husband spoke. "Miss Miller," he said, "There is no school of that kind nearby. It would be a terrible shock for Jeremy if we had to take him out of this school. We know he really likes it here."

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Easter (Continued)

Doris sat for a long time after they left, staring at the snow outside the window. Its coldness seemed to seep into her soul. She wanted to sympathize with the Forresters. After all, their only child had a terminal illness, but it wasn't fair to keep him in her class. She had 18 other youngsters to teach and Jeremy was a distraction. Furthermore, he would never learn to read and write. Why waste any more time trying?

As she pondered the situation, guilt washed over her. "Oh God," she said aloud, "Here I am complaining when my problems are nothing compared with that poor family! Please help me to be more patient with Jeremy."

From that day on, she tried hard to ignore Jeremy's noises and his blank stares. Then one day he limped to her desk, dragging his bad leg behind him.

"I love you, Miss Miller," he exclaimed, loud enough for the whole class to hear. The other students snickered and Doris' face turned red. She stammered, "Wh-why, that's very nice, Jeremy. Now please take your seat."

Spring came and the children talked excitedly about the coming of Easter. Doris told them the story of Jesus and then to emphasize the idea of new life springing forth, she gave each of the children a large plastic egg. "Now," she said to them, "I want you to take this home and bring it back tomorrow with something inside that shows new life. Do you understand?"

"Yes, Miss Miller!" the children responded enthusiastically — all except for Jeremy. He just listened intently, his eyes never left her face. He did not even make his usual noises. Had he understood what she had said about Jesus' death and resurrection? Did he understand the assignment? Perhaps she should call his parents and explain the project to them.

That evening, Doris' kitchen sink stopped up. She called the landlord and waited an hour for him to come by and unclog it. After that, she still had to shop for groceries, iron a blouse, and prepare a vocabulary test for the next day. She completely forgot about phoning Jeremy's parents.

The next morning, 19 children came to school, laughing and talking as they placed their eggs in the large wicker basket on Miss Miller's desk. After they completed their math lesson, it was time to open the eggs.

In the first egg, Doris found a flower. "Oh yes, a flower is certainly a sign of new life," she said. "When plants peek through the ground, we know that spring is here."

A small girl in the first row waved her arms. "That's my egg, Miss Miller," she called out.

The next egg contained a plastic butterfly, which looked very real. Doris held it up. "We all know that a caterpillar changes and grows into a beautiful butterfly. Yes, that is new life, too."

Little Judy smiled proudly and said, "Miss Miller, that one is mine!"

Next, Doris found a rock with moss on it. She explained that moss, too, showed life. Billy spoke up from the back of the classroom. "My daddy helped me!" he beamed.

Then Doris opened the fourth egg. She gasped. The egg was empty! Surely it must be Jeremy's, she thought and of course, he did not understand her instructions. If only she had not forgotten to phone his parents.

Because she did not want to embarrass him, she quietly set the egg aside and reached for another. Suddenly Jeremy spoke up. "Miss Miller, aren't you going to talk about my egg?"

Flustered, Doris replied, "But Jeremy — your egg is empty!"

He looked into her eyes and said softly, "Yes, but Jesus' tomb was empty, too!"

Time stopped. When she could speak again, Doris asked him, "Do you know why the tomb was empty?"

"Oh, yes!" Jeremy exclaimed. "Jesus was killed and put in there. Then his Father raised him up!"

The recess bell rang. While the children excitedly ran out to the school yard, Doris cried. The cold inside her melted completely away.

Three months later, Jeremy died. Those who paid their respects at the mortuary were surprised to see 19 eggs on top of his casket, all of them empty.

May the Easter eggs of all your friends and family be empty, too.



Easter Bunny Drive

We will deliver Easter Bunnies to the Boys & Girls Club on Thursday, April 1.

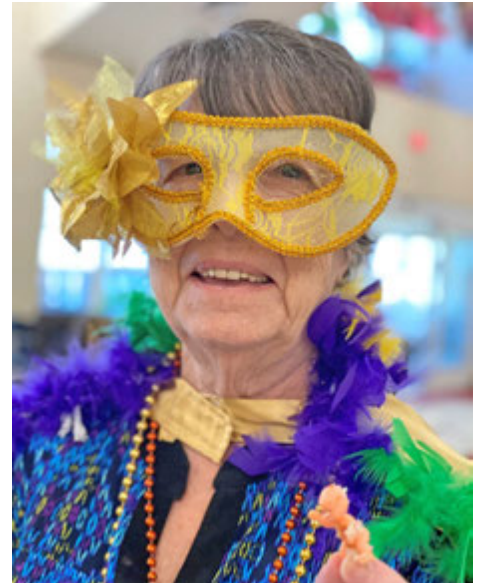


Chef's Corner



Thank you Chef Oscar for a wonderful Valentine's Day Dinner, enjoyed by all.

Mardi Gras 2021



Arlene, Belle of the Ball!!



Cecilia and Roberta leading our Mardi Gras Parade.



Pat, our 2020 Prom Queen, enters the Mardi Gras parade with our float.

APRIL 2021

Birthdays

Jacqueline White, 6th
James Douberley, 8th
Vernon Drawny, 15th
Louise Davis, 17th
Bob Croyle, 19th
Judith Scoville, 20th
Diane Kompara, 23rd
Arlene Smith, 24th
Peggy Johnson, 29th
Charles Dinn, 29th

Locations

Activity Room, AR
Atrium, AT
Billiards Room, BR
Bistro, Bistro
Chapel, CH
Computer Center, CC
Dining Room, DR
Fire Pit, FP
Fitness Center, FC
Front Lobby, Lobby
Grand Piano, GP
Grandma's Kitchen, GK
Library, LIB
Main Entrance
Canopy, Canopy
Movie Theater, MT
Raised Bed Gardens, Garden
Shuffleboard Court, SC
Sitting Arbor, SA
Swimming Pool, Pool
TV Room, TV

Dining Schedule

8 a.m. — Breakfast,
12:30 p.m. — Dinner,
5:30 p.m. — Supper
(Unless otherwise
announced)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<div>1</div> <div>Deliver Easter Bunnies 9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Fit-Beat Drumming, AR 10:00 Happy Hour, GK 10:30 Blood Pressure Screening with Four Corners, AR 11:45 Residents’ & Chef’s Meeting, DR 2:00 Mind Your Mind, AR 3:00 Orchard Heights’ Derby, AR</div>	<div>2</div> <div>GOOD FRIDAY 9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 11:00 Zumba with Yvonne, AR 1:30 Canasta, BR 2:00 Bean Bag Baseball, AR 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 3:00 Good Friday Service, AT</div>	<div>3</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 2:00 Bridge, TV 2:00 Penny Poker, BR 3:00 Kim Poppins’ Hippy Popcorn Hour, AT 3:00 Women’s Bible Study, LIB 4:00 Sit N Stitch, AR</div>
<div>4</div> <div>EASTER 9:30 Non-Denominational Sunday Service, MT 2:00 Penny Poker, BR 3:00 Bingo Resident Volunteer, AR</div>	<div>5</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Chair Exercise with Ben, AR 10:30 Blood Pressure Checkup with Angels, Bistro 11:00 Capture the Moment, AR 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 2:00 Mah Jongg, TV 2:00 Volleyball, AR 3:00 Penny Poker, BR</div>	<div>6</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Fit-Beat Drumming, AR 10:30 Catholic Hour of Prayer, CH 10:30 Adult Coloring with Chede, AR 11:45 Residents’ & Managers’ Meeting, DR 1:30 Bridge, BR 2:00 Mexican Train, BR 3:00 “T” for Tuesday Bingo, AR </div>	<div>7</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Chair Exercise with Ben, AR 9:30 Hard Rock Cafe & Casino, Lobby 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 3:00 Rummikub, Bistro</div>	<div>8</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Fit-Beat Drumming, AR 10:00 Happy Hour, GK 10:30 Blood Pressure Screening with Four Corners, AR 11:00 Music Appreciation, AT 2:00 Mind Your Mind, AR 3:00 Orchard Heights’ Derby, AR </div>	<div>9</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 11:00 Zumba with Yvonne, AR 1:30 Canasta, BR 2:00 Bean Bag Baseball, AR 2:00 The Poker Club, BR</div>	<div>10</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 2:00 Bridge, TV 2:00 Penny Poker, BR 3:00 Kim Poppins’ Hippy Popcorn Hour, AT 3:00 Women’s Bible Study, LIB 4:00 Sit N Stitch, AR</div>
<div>11</div> <div>9:30 Non-Denominational Sunday Service, MT 2:00 Penny Poker, BR 3:00 Bingo Resident Volunteer, AR</div>	<div>12</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Chair Exercise with Ben, AR 10:30 Blood Pressure Checkup with Angels, Bistro 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 2:00 Mah Jongg, TV 2:00 Volleyball, AR 3:00 Penny Poker, BR 3:00 White Board Challenge, AT</div>	<div>13</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Fit-Beat Drumming, AR 10:30 Catholic Hour of Prayer, CH 10:30 Adult Coloring with Chede, AR 11:45 S.M.O.O.T.T. 1:30 Bridge, BR 2:00 Mexican Train, BR 3:00 “T” for Tuesday Bingo, AR</div>	<div>14</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Chair Exercise with Ben, AR 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 3:00 Rummikub, Bistro</div>	<div>15</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Fit-Beat Drumming, AR 10:00 Happy Hour, GK 10:30 Blood Pressure Screening with Four Corners, AR 10:30 Chef’s Corner: Flavors of the Season, GK 2:00 Mexican Train Tournament, BR 3:00 Orchard Heights’ Derby, AR </div>	<div>16</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 11:00 Zumba with Yvonne, AR 1:30 Canasta, BR 2:00 Bean Bag Baseball, AR 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 2:00 Mexican Train Tournament, BR 3:00 The Comedy Room, AR</div>	<div>17</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 2:00 Bridge, TV 2:00 Penny Poker, BR 3:00 Kim Poppins’ Hippy Popcorn Hour, AT 3:00 Women’s Bible Study, LIB 4:00 Sit N Stitch, AR </div>
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<div>25</div> <div>9:30 Non-Denominational Sunday Service, MT 2:00 Penny Poker, BR 3:00 Bingo Resident Volunteer, AR</div>	<div>26</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Chair Exercise with Ben, AR 10:30 Blood Pressure Checkup with Angels, Bistro 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 2:00 Mah Jongg, TV 2:00 Volleyball, AR 3:00 Penny Poker, BR 3:00 White Board Challenge, AT</div>	<div>27</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Fit-Beat Drumming, AR 10:30 Catholic Hour of Prayer, CH 10:30 Adult Coloring with Chede, AR 1:30 Bridge, BR 2:00 Relation Chips & Dip, GP 2:00 Mexican Train, BR 3:00 “T” for Tuesday Bingo, AR</div>	<div>28</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Chair Exercise with Ben, AR 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 3:00 Rummikub, Bistro</div>	<div>29</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 9:30 Fit-Beat Drumming, AR 10:00 Happy Hour, GK 10:30 Blood Pressure Screening with Four Corners, AR 2:00 Mind Your Mind, AR 3:00 Orchard Heights’ Derby, AR </div>	<div>30</div> <div>9:00 Our Daily Bread, CH 11:00 Zumba with Yvonne, AR 1:30 Canasta, BR 2:00 Bean Bag Baseball, AR 2:00 The Poker Club, BR 4:15 Monthly Birthday Celebration by Angels Care, AR</div>	



This-n-That, Here-n-There



Gail just couldn't pass up the opportunity!



Chede enjoying the gardens at the Lavender 'n Lace Tea Room



The Celtic Angels was a great show right next door; let's do more of these!



Little dancing on Valentine's Day



Norval enjoying our early St. Paddy's Celebration



Amazing meal and atmosphere at the Lavender 'n Lace



Valentine's Day Fun



Celebrating our February Babies!



What's New?

Springtime is here! Your Activities Department is blossoming with new events and activities. Open the windows, shake-off the dust and bring your friends is a must.



White-Board
CHALLENGE

Monday at 3 p.m.



1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 3 p.m.



Bring your Smart Phones for Photo Workshop
101 on 1st and 3rd Monday of the month



Saturday at 10 a.m.



S.M.O.O.T.T.: Senior Men Out on the
Town, 2nd Tuesday of the month



Brain Games on Thursday at 2 p.m.



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**SPRING INTO ACTION
& SHAKE OFF THOSE WINTER BLUES**

Springtime brings fresh beginnings so let today be the start of something new! Join us for one of our engaging activities or stop by for a complimentary meal and take a tour of our beautiful community. We would love the opportunity to share with you all we have to offer.

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