July 2021

# Woman Meets Her Birth Mother after 50 Years, Learns She's An Actress From

**Her Favorite Show** 

When Lisa Wright sat down to watch *That's My Mama* every week as a child, she never could have imagined how accurate the title would prove to be.

As an adopted child, Lisa never sought out her biological family. Once she had a child of her own, however, she began investigating.

"My (adoptive) mom told me, 'Your mommy loved you, but she was really young, and she knew she couldn't take care of you. I wanted a baby so bad, and that's why your mom let me take care of you. You weren't abandoned. This was just the best thing for you,' "Lisa said in

an interview with the *Today* show.
Following a DNA test,
Lisa was quickly put into touch with members

of her biological family – and before long, her biological mother.

"A voice on the other end (of the phone) says, 'Is this my daughter?' And then I just went, 'Oh, my God, is this my mother?'" Lisa said. "And then she goes, 'Yes, sweetie, this is your mom.' It was just the most indescribable feeling."

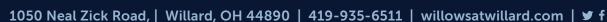
Lisa would quickly learn that her mother is none other than Lynee Moody – an actress from one of Lisa's favorite shows from childhood.

"I grew up watching my mother on TV and didn't even know it," Wright said. "*That's My Mama* — that was our must-see TV. We all sat down and watched *That's My Mama* every week, and who knew?

No idea.... And that's my mama!"

Original story from people.com Photo credit: Michael Tullberg/Getty





## Happy Birthday!

#### Residents

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| July 07 | Kathleen S. |
| July 12 | Ruth C.     |
| July 16 | Pat W.      |
| July 18 | Daniel H.   |
| July 26 | Ruth W.     |
| Staff   |             |
| July 03 | Toni S.     |
| July 04 | Melissa S.  |
| July 06 | Ashley S.   |
| July 07 | Kelsey T.   |
| July 09 | Morgan S.   |
| July 20 | Michelle J. |
| July 21 | Claudia R.  |
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## Volunteers Needed

July 30

The Willows at Willard is looking for you! If you are kind, compassionate and have a servant's heart, please schedule a tour with John our Life Enrichment Director. We would love to meet and share all of the exciting volunteer opportunities that enrich the lives of our residents on a daily basis.

Jennifer R.



# Executive Director Corner

Happy July, everyone! I hope that you're

enjoying cooling down from the heat and the easing of restrictions, because summer is officially in full swing – and we have a lot to celebrate.

Our "Traditions Around The World" Theme Year continues this month with our latest Theme Week – France. Taking place from July 12th – July 15th, this theme week will see our campus filled with blue, white, and red colors as we celebrate the sights, sounds, and smells of France from the comfort of home. Be sure to ask to our Life

Enrichment Director about all of the incredible activities we have planned! C'est l'heure de faire la fête (it's party time!).

As we begin celebrating our independence from COVID-19, we're also excited to be kicking off our Independence from Hunger food drive. Over the course of the past 5 years, we have been able to raise more than 7.3 million pounds of food to support local food banks across the Midwest. Talk to a team member today to learn about how you can participate!

Have a great month,

Yours in Service,

Danielle Phillips

**Executive Director** 

# Photo Highlights





Bird Donna S.

# More Photo Highlights





Gerry and Pat W.

Janice K.





Lena Richard R.



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Director of Plant Operations

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Keep up with latest campus news and happenings by following us on your favorite social networks!

We strive to provide the best customer service and quality care for our residents.

Our Department Leaders are here to solve any concerns you may have.

In the event that you need further assistance with any unresolved concerns, we encourage you to call or email our Compliance Hotline: 800-908-8618, ext. 2800; or comply@trilogyhs.com

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### **Monthly Trivia & Activity Corner**

All trivia answers will be printed in our upcoming month's newsletter!

Question 1: The Fourth of July celebrates the adoption of what historic document?

Question 2: What is the name of the largest planet in our solar system?

Question 3: What is the name of the local jazz group that performed "I Don't Want

To Set The World On Fire"?

Question 4: In what year was the 19th amendment ratified?

Question 5: On what day does the summer solstice occur?

Flip the page for last month's trivia answers:

Grand Canyon? The Colorado River Q2: The world's first vaccine was developed to fight which disease? Polio Q3: The ocean covers more than \_\_% of the earth's surface. 70 Q4: What was the name of Lucy's neighbor in I Love Lucy? Carolyn Appleby
Q5: What is the name of the largest

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If you could create a TV show, what would it be? Would it be a sitcom? Game show? Crime drama?

About animals? Or something new? Write a brief description and share your ideas.

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Q1: What river runs through :LQ

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