

# Friends News



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# Friends Place Mother's Day Luncheon

You are cordially invited to our Annual Mother's Day Tea and Luncheon honoring all our mothers, sisters, daughters, aunts.

Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Please R.S. V. P. by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Invite your daughter, your best friend, but come celebrate this day with us at Friends Place. Back by popular demand will be Lois Price, violinist. Fashions by Southern Harts - ehty will be showcasing the latest fashions and BLING. We LOVE bling!!

#### Mind's Eye Poetry Visits Friends Place

Molly Myers, with Mind's Eye Poetry paid us a visit at Friends Place and what a great time it was! Molly brought her bag of memories and our members soon began to reminisce about everything from ties to cookie jars. Each person that was there, helped to create a poem worthy of publishing. Molly takes her gift of weaving the words and thoughts of others, into beautiful poems for all of us to enjoy. Her message is to let the families know that these ideas and memories are still with their loved ones, and she facilitates to bring them to life. Please enjoy our member's creation.

#### **Collections**

Twenty ties that belonged to my father at home in my closet,

wheat-eared pennies and a jar of coins saved for a rainy day,

A smiling cookie jar named, "Toothache Dog," Hot wheels race cars.

Collections of my childhood. Collections of my life.

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--Nelda, Faye, Robert, Veryl, Ethel, Charles, Michael, Charlotte, Lamar, & Rod.

Friend's Place, Desoto, 2/26/15

#### Featured Member of the Month

Friends Place member of the month is our very own Tommy Henry; or to most of us "Uncle Tommy". Tommy was born and raised in Dallas - what we call a real Native Texan.

Tommy stayed busy growing up with eight children in the family. He was sixth in line, so he had to get to the dinner table quickly! He loved his family, and took pride in caring for his mother – "Bango", as she was called by her kids and grandkids -- later in life. When Tommy is at Friends Place we love hearing his stories of growing up. He knew everyone in the neighborhood, and can tell you all about what sports they played and who their favorite team was. Tommy never met a stranger, and is a wonderful greeter for us - he makes everyone feel welcome.

Tommy worked for the family construction business for as long as he can remember. His mother, in addition to being the mother of eight, was also one of the first women in the construction business who took over her father's business and brought her children into the business as well. Tommy was a carpenter by trade and worked over fifty years for the family business.

Tommy's leisure time was spent honing his bowling skills - he was quite the bowler, and it also took him to places all around the world, but for Tommy, Dallas and Texas is the best place on earth. The next time you are at Friends Place, make time to meet him. He is a walking history book on Dallas, and has some great stories to share.

# Happy April birthday to...

Charles Hill – April 2 Lamar Johnson – April 10 Vernon Black – April 16

#### And a warm Friends Place welcome to...

Romeo Lewis Vernon Black Charles Hill Ida Brown Verdell Luster John Perrin Gene Guillory

#### Caregiver's Corner by Pam Johnson

#### "Promoting Positive Self Esteem"

When we are children, good parenting-techniques help us develop feelings of self-respect and positive self-esteem. As adults, we continue to desire to feel accepted and respected by others according to our specific individual needs. But for a person with dementia, it can be quite a challenge to maintain affirmative feelings of respect, personal pride and self-worth without the valuable support of the caregiver.

Here are 10 tips for fostering positive self-esteem.

- 1. Praise frequently and sincerely for ideas, actions, decisions, or deeds
- 2. Value each person as an unique individual-Each of us have our own talents, skills and personalities
- 3. Show gratitude for efforts regardless of outcomes the only thing worse than failing is giving up and not trying at all
- 4. Break tasks into manageable steps- this increases their chances of success which then creates a feeling of achievement
- 5. Solicit their opinions Be it an open-ended question or simply asking if they agree or disagree. So... do you think this a good idea?
- 6. Focus on their strengths and remaining abilities having realistic expectations will possibly prevent many unnecessary failures
- 7. Be mindful of the person's Lifetime Roles Many people feel defined by their personal, educational or professional accomplishments. Even after retirement or disease, they still need -and deserve- to feel that same respect
- 8. Allow them to help -being able to make daily contributions promotes feelings of self-worth
- 9. Encourage sharing of life experiences we all have a story to share that validates our life
- 10. Promote independence enabling techniques, cues and prompts allow them to do things with little or no assistance.

These are some of the many ways that staff at Friends Place is able to help our members feel worthy. Years ago, we had a member say, "Thank you making me feel whole again". Truly, it was the one of the best compliments we ever received. We knew we were on the right path and in keeping with our mission.

## VA Program at Friends Place

Many of you know that we have contracted directly with the Veterans Administration to provide our day services at no cost to qualified Veterans (there may be small co-pay). This program is not connected to the Aid & Attendance benefit offered by the VA and is governed by a different set of eligibility rules. Please talk to Marylynne to help you navigate through the VA process.

#### Come Dig in the Dirt with Us!!



Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30pm.

Friends Place Vegetable Garden is almost ready for our planting this year. We have been hard at work

making ready for our tomato plants, Squash of every kind and other great veggies! We are also planting our wild flowers so we can enjoy them, so if you're in the neighborhood on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> around 1:30pm, come out in our back yard- It's starting to look like Spring!!!!

# Alzheimer's Association Presents <u>Alzheimer's Caregiver Lecture</u>

Date/Time: Saturday, April 11

10:00 am until 12:00 pm

Please register, Seating is limited

Speaker: Pam Kovacs Johnson,

Founder Friends Place Adult Day Svc

Topic: Alzheimer's – The Basics

Location: Hillcrest Baptist Church

Bldg. K

265 W. Pleasant Run Rd. Cedar Hill, TX. 75104

Register: 800-272-3900 or alz.org/greaterdallas

# Support Groups and Education for Caregivers in the Southwest Dallas Area

### **Alzheimer's Support Groups**

#### PLEASE NOTE NEW TIME!

Date: Tuesday, April 14th

Time: 2:00 p.m. - General Discussion

Date: Tuesday, April 28th

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Speaker: Cathy Judd, PA-C, DFAAPA,

UTSW Dept. of Psychiatry,

Psychneuroendocrinology Research Unit and Parkland Health & UTSW Hospital

Topic: Recognition and Management of Pain (rescheduled from Feb due to weather

cancellation)

Activities for your loved one at no charge while you attend the meeting, with reservations. Call 972.274.2484.

Location: Friends Place Adult Day Services

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**Look for Upcoming Topics** 

May - Caregiver Resources in the Area

June - Hoarding

Date: Saturday April 18

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Location: New Life in Christ Lutheran Church

311 S. Cockrell Hill Rd. Duncanville, TX. 75116

Date: Wednesday, April 8

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Hillcrest Baptist Church

255 W. Pleasant Run Rd

Cedar Hill, Tx.

Questions: 214-718-1286

## Parkinson's Support Group

Date: Monday April 27 Time: 6:30 – 8:00

Location: Trinity United Methodist Church

1302 South Clark Road Duncanville, TX 75137

For other scheduled activities for the Parkinson's group, please contact Wanda at calljw@sbcglobal.net

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#### April Happenings!

TH	$2^{nd}$	Spring Planting at Friends	1:30pm	
		Place Garden		
M	6 <sup>th</sup>	April Birthday Celebration	1:30pm	
		with Brandon Perry		
W	8 <sup>th</sup>	Cassidy, Service Dog	10:45am	
TH	9th	Sgt. Franks and the	2:15pm	
		DeSoto K-9 Unit		
T	14 <sup>th</sup>	Caregivers Support Group	2:00pm	
		General Discussion		
TH	16 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Lee, Storyteller	2:15pm	
T	21st	Norris Perry, Entertainer	1:30pm	
W	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Cassidy, Service Dog 10:45ar		
TH	23rd	Texas Winds Musical	11:00am	
		Outreach "Brass Quintet"		
T	23rd	Caregivers, Support Group 2:00px		
		Speaker: Cathy Judd P.A.		
M	27 <sup>th</sup>	Joseph Bunger, Singer	1:30pm	
M	27 <sup>th</sup>	Yoga with Charla	2:30pm	
T	28 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Frankel, Accordion 11:30am		
		Player		



# Save the Date Annual Mother's Day Luncheon and Style Show

Friday, May 8 11:30 am

Please RSVP by May 1 972-274-2484

Those of you who have attended in the past know not to miss this wonderful event!

Wednesday Monday Tuesday Thursday April Fools Day Jed Clampett Day 10:00 April Fools Jokes / Fast Food Crossword /This 10:00 The Investment Game / Craft: Baby Bunnies 10:00 First Original Car / Spanish Made Simple or That 10:45 April Fools Word Search / 12 Months of Trivia /Match It Card Game /Amazing Memory 10:45 Wacky Wordies & Concentration / Junk Drawer 10:45 Change the First Letter (Cranium Crunches) / /Checkers APRIL 2015 11:30 Sit & Be Fit Detective /Corn Hole Plants & Animals Discussion /Let's Band 12:00 Sing-A-Long 11:30 Sit & Be Fit Together 1:30 Strenthen Your Mind / Feelings in a Jar / Name 12:00 Sing-A-Long 11:30 Sit & Be Fit that Tune 1:30 Spring Garden Planting / Ungame / Puzzles 12:00 Sing-A-Long Friends Place Adult Day Services 1:30 Book Club / You Be the Judge / This or That 2:15 Trivia Challenge for Seniors / Think Twice / 2:15 Call Out the Answer / Lucky 7 Card Game / Uno 3:00 Bingo / Bible Trivia 2:15 What Am I? / Choices / 4 in a Row Sensory Enrichment 3:00 Bingo / Movies / Popcorn 3:00 Bingo with Elsa / Spiritual Study 4:15 Dance to the Music DeSoto, Texas 4:15 Light & Lively 4:45 Random Trivia 4:15 Light & Lively 4:45 Daisy Categories 5:15 Dice Baseball 4:45 Bulletin Board Trivia 5:15 Choices 5:15 Name 5 College Basketball Championship Game Happy Birthday William Wordsworth Sonia Henie Dav End of Civil War Anniversary 8 10:00 Call Out the Answer / Sign Language /Desig 10 10:00 Championship Games / Feelings in a Jar /Circuit 10:00 William Wordsworth / Cooking: Fruity 10:00 Travelogue / Beautiful Banknotes (Story, 10:00 Civil War Bargaining / Spiritual /Storytelling Cheesecake Cookie Cup /Block Shop Discussion & Slide Show) /Corn Hole 10:45 Person, Place, or Thing / Mother of Nature 10:45 Discuss and Recall / You Be the Judge /Cards Fitness 10:45 Who Am I? / Punny Names (Cranium Crunches) 10:45 Cassidy / Catch Phrase / 10:45 Brain Game / Searching for April Word Search Crossword /Answer Ball 11:30 Sit & Be Fit /Magnetic Fishing 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 12:00 Sing-A-Long /Uno 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 12:00 Sing-A-Long 12:00 Sing-A-Long 1:30 Book Club / Lg. Crosswords / Corn Hole 12:00 Sing-A-Long 1:30 Strengthen Your Mind / April Word Pictures & 1:30 Brain Game / Prediciting Outcome / Bowling 2:15 Pastimes Complete the Phrase Cards / Uno / 12:00 Sing-A-Long 1:30 April Birthday Celebration with Entertainer, 1:30 Word in a Word / Read / Write / Rhyme Tyme Birthday Quiz / Picture It - Can You See the Big 2:15 DeSoto K-9 Unit / Puzzles Sensory Enrichment Brandon Perry / Answer Ball / 2:15 Table Talk / Who's Who Game / This or That 3:00 Bingo / Activities for the Soul 3:00 Bingo / Spiritual Study 2:15 Predicting Outcome / Bowling / Cards 3:00 Bingo / Spiritual Study 2:15 American Trivia / Dominoes / Block Shop 4:15 Dance to the Music 4:15 Light & Lively 3:00 Bingo with Jordan / Activities for the Soul 4:15 Dance to the Music 3:00 Bingo with Elsa / Bible Trivia 4:45 Think Twice 4:45 Wheel of Fortune 4:15 Light & Lively 4:45 Trivia Challenge for Seniors 4:15 Light & Lively 5:15 Charades 5:15 Finish the Phrase 4:45 Name 5 4:45 Ungame 5:15 Wheel of Fortune 5:15 Finishing Words 5:15 Catch Phrase Penny for Your Thoughts Day Sinking of the Titanic Anniversary Mustang Day 17 10:00 Traveling to Dubai / Searching for Trees World 14 10:00 Stockyards / High Five Tree Collage /Amazi**16** Search /Magnetic Fishing 10:00 The Titanic / Finish the Phrase /Block Shop 10:00 Going to the Bank / Lg. Crossword /Circuit Memory 10:00 Movies / Stars / Memories in the Making /This 10:45 Humor / What Am I? /Answer Ball 10:45 Fact or Foolery / Easter Egg-citement Crossword 10:45 12 Months of Trivia / Passover Word Search 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 10:45 April IQ / Ungame /Magazine Scavenger 10:45 Silly Seeds FunSprouts / Picture It - Can You /Puzzles /Corn Hole 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 12:00 Sing-A-Long 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 11:30 Sit & Be Fit See the Big Picture? /Rhyme Tyme 1:30 Wheel of Fortune / We're in the Money Word Fit 12:00 Sing-A-Long 12:00 Sing-A-Long 12:00 Sing-A-Long 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 1:30 Everyday Life Trivia / Put It On My "Bill" Fill 12:00 Sing-A-Long 1:30 Strengthen Your Mind / This Was the Year 1955 1:30 Money Theme Trivia / Name 5 / Name that Tune / Math Ball 1:30 Book Club / Finish the Phrase / Let's Band 2:15 Spelling Volunteers Word Fit / Trivia Challenge in the Blank / Sensory Enrichment 2:15 Carolee, the Storyteller / Block Shop / / This or That for Seniors / 4 in a Row 2:15 Finish the Phrase / Putt Putt / Cards 2:15 Fascinating Facts / Ping Pong Basketball / Craft 3:00 Bingo / Bible Trivia Together 3:00 Bingo / Bible Trivia 4:15 Dance to the Music 2:15 Fascinating Facts / Creative Forecasting Word 3:00 Bingo / Activities for the Soul 4:15 Light & Lively 4:15 Dance to the Music 3:00 Bingo with Elsa / Spiritual Study 4:45 Pictionary Search / Crosswords / Uno 4:45 You Be the Judge 4:45 What Year Was It? 4:15 Light & Lively 5:15 Speedy Recall 3:00 Bingo / Activities for the Soul 4:15 Light & Lively 5:15 Everyday Life Trivia 5:15 Hangman 4:45 Dice Baseball 5:15 Wheel of Fortune 4:45 Family Feud Happy Birthday Queen Elizabeth Earth Day Arbor Day 10:00 Moving on Arbor Day / Spanish Made Simp**24** 10:00 Marathon Monday / Jeopardy Trivia /Creati **20** 10:00 Shakespeare's Birthday / 12 Months of Triv 23 22 10:00 Queen Elizabeth Journey / Searching for Jelly 10:00 Why Earth Day? / April Birthday Quiz /Sensory Forecasting /Design by Number 10:45 Finishing Words / You Be the Judge /What Bean Word Search /Circuit Fitness Enrichment 11:00 Texas Winds, Perennial Brass 10:45 Tree-mendous Trivia / Arbor Day Word Search Comes First? 10:45 Taboo / Finishing Lines /Uno 10:45 Cassidy / Earth Day Word Search / 11:30 Sit & Be Fit /Clav Press 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 12:00 Sing-A-Long 11:30 Sit & Be Fit 12:00 Sing-A-Long 12:00 Sing-A-Long 12:00 Sing-A-Long 1:30 What Year Was It? / Lg. 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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Friends Place Adult Day Ser	rvices, DeSoto Lunch Meru ad and Iced Tea/Water unless 1/2 portion dessert or sugar free	Beef Vegetable Soup Baked Potatoes w/ Trimmings Green Salad Oatmeal Cookies	Smothered Chicken Rice Pilaf California Vegetables Spinach Salad w/Mandarin Oranges Banana Pudding	Pulled Pork Sandwiches Potato Salad Scandinavian Vegetables Garden Salad Apple Cobbler
Vegetable Lasagna Baked Apples Garlic Bread Mixed Green Salad Vanilla Pudding	7 Soft Beef Tacos Spanish Rice Pinto Beans Coleslaw Salad Angel Food Cake/w/Topping	Teriyaki Chicken Rice Oriental Vegetables Green Salad Chocolate Chip Cookies	Cheeseburgers on Wheat Bun Baked Chips Green Beans Mixed Green Salad Ambrosia	Parmesan Crusted Chicken Macaroni & Cheese Peas & Carrots Spinach Salad w/Mandarin Oranges Sherbet
Salisbury Steak Rice Pilaf Chopped Broccoli Green Salad Spice Cookies	Chicken Alfredo Italian Vegetables Garlic Bread	Meatloaf w/ Tomato Sauce Macaroni & Cheese Peas & Carrots Mixed Green Salad Sherbet	Chicken Pot Pie Mashed Potatoes Baked Apples Green Salad Lemon Cake w/ Icing	Baked Fish Filet w/Lemon Wedges Hush Puppies Scandinavian Vegetables Coleslaw Salad Chocolate Pudding
Chicken Fajitas Spanish Rice Ranchero Beans Mixed Green Salad Yellow Cake w/ Icing	Pepperoni Pizza	Baked Cod Filet Roasted Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Spinach Salad w/Mandarin Oranges Peach Cobbler	Swedish Meatballs w/Mushroom Gravy over Noodles Chopped Broccoli Green Salad Brownies	Tomato Basil Soup w/ Grilled Cheese Sandwiches Baked Apples Peas & Carrots Mixed Green Salad Neapolitan Ice Cream
Spaghetti Meatballs Chopped Broccoli Garlic Bread Coleslaw Salad Apple Cobbler  Approved by: Julie F	Stir Fry Chicken Rice Oriental Vegetables Mixed Green Salad Ambrosia	Smothered Steak Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Coleslaw Salad Vanilla Pudding	Beef Chili Cornbread Peas & Carrots Spinach Salad w/Mandarin Oranges Peanut Butter Cookies  Date: March 15, 201	