



THE KING'S DAUGHTERS HOME

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“Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ...”
- Corinthians 2:14

One of the programs that is supported by the International Order of The King's Daughters and Sons is the Lend A Hand for Literacy Program. Our Missouri Branch also supports that program. Different City Unions and Councils collect books and then distributes them to their local child-care facilities, hospitals and jail ministry homes. New and gently used books are collected and before they are distributed, a label is attached inside the front cover as being donated by the King's Daughters and Sons.

The effort to get involved in this ministry serves not only to give a needed resource to our communities, but it also serves to let our community members know about the King's Daughters and Sons and the good works that are being done by our members. Reading aloud with children is not only an important step in building the foundation of literacy, but it is a great time for sharing. In homes where reading is not a part of daily life, children hear only one half to one third as many words as children from homes where reading is prevalent.

The typical child from a middle class home enters first grade with 1,000 to 1,700 hours of picture book reading time. However, a low income child averages just 25 hours. This puts the child at a big disadvantage. The first three or four years of a child's life are the most important in shaping the child's acquisition of literacy skills.

The days in which a student could drop out of school and get a manufacturing job with financial security (as with Ford or General Motors) are largely over. It is necessary for young people to be educated not only in reading, but also in reading to learn, so they are prepared to get and keep jobs that will support themselves and their families while fulfilling their own happiness.

This program will also be used at Central Council at Chautauqua in June. There is a program in their community, and members attending Central Council are being asked to bring a small amount of books to be used in this program. Thank you to all of you for participating in this extremely worthwhile project.

As summer approaches, it is even more important that we place age appropriate reading material into the hands of our young people. Please continue to support this ongoing project and keep it in mind as you come across gently used reading material. It is an excellent way to help improve our society and make for happier citizens. When we continue with this effort, we all win.

In His Name,
Norma J. Stack
Missouri Branch President

“Because someone we love is in Heaven, there is a little bit of Heaven in our home.”

-Unknown



The featured picture in this article of Betty Jo Albus was from the 1943 Queen Pageant of the Audrain County Victory Fair. There were 15 contestants, and Betty was crowned the Victory Queen!

There’s so much to say about Betty Jo – she was witty, caring and strong-willed. Many people in town knew her as the helpful lady at Westlake’s where she worked as the Housewares Department Manager and Buyer for several decades, not retiring until the age of 83. She was always the “go to” lady who knew the ins and outs of all departments, and she was a favorite among customers. Her infectious personality and smile made her very memorable.

She was also the heart and soul of her family, who visited the Home every day, multiple times per day, and were always available to help out with events at the home. Betty Jo’s family described her as the most loving woman you would ever meet, and we all agree. Betty had a beautiful smile and was loved by many. We will miss seeing her family around the Home — they brought many smiles and much laughter. You could always tell they carried much love for one another, and that family was important to them all.

I love the quote at the beginning. Betty made quite the lasting impression here at the Home. She will be greatly missed and remembered fondly. We look forward to the day we meet again.

“There is more hunger for love and appreciation in this world than for bread.”

-Mother Teresa

Our annual nursing home week was May 14 through May 20. This year’s theme was “The Spirit of America.” The staff and residents enjoyed participating in fun activities and sharing great food. The week’s purpose was appreciation. Our staff is very much loved and appreciated by so many – coworkers, supervisors, the board of directors, residents and families. They are the best, and we want to share a huge thank you to all of them for all they do to make our Home a special place. There is no other place quite like ours.

A sincere thank you to the board of directors for catering in lunch for us from Pig Up & Go and supplying the homemade desserts. The meal was outstanding, as was the company! Thank you to all of our incredible staff and the board of directors, each and every one of you are appreciated, and each and every one of you plays a vital role in the success of our Home.

“The greatest thing a father can do to his children is to LOVE their mother.”

-Anjaneth Garcia Untalan

May we remember and honor our fathers this coming month! Happy Father’s Day to all the wonderful Dads out there... You are loved and appreciated.

-Darus Love | Administrator

OUR JUNE FEATURED RESIDENT IS RONDA WHELAN



Ronda Whelan was born on June 4, 1955 in Hannibal, MO. She was raised by her parents, JC Stratton and Gladys Lake. She grew up in New London, MO with her three brothers and one sister. She attended Mark Twain High School in Center, MO. After graduation, she relocated to Perry, MO where she worked part-time.

Ronda first met the love of her life, Kenny Whelan, at a wedding of a mutual friend. The interesting part of their meeting was that Kenny was the brother of her sisters' husband. Kenny and Ronda were married in 1974, in a beautiful ceremony in front of family and friends in Perry, MO. In 1984, the couple relocated to Mexico, MO. Kenny was the manager at Hickman's and Ronda worked in the purchasing department at the Veterans Home for over 25 years.

Motherhood is one of Ronda's greatest joys. Together, they have three children: Heather, Julie and Anthony. Heather and Julie both live in Mexico, MO and Anthony lives in Kansas City, MO. Ronda was very involved in her children's lives never missing a sporting event or a school activity. She is also a very proud grandmother to three granddaughters and one grandson. Her daughter, Heather Casey, has two children, Jaicee and Reagan. Her daughter, Julie Rowe, also has two children, Kennedi and Karson.

Ronda and Kenny have always been very passionate about golf and traveling. They decided to combine the two and frequently took golf vacations. Ronda's favorite vacation spot was Gulf Shores, AL. They enjoyed golfing and taking in the beautiful scenery. Ronda loved to sit on the beach and read, while Kenny would take the grandchildren to swim in the pool.

Ronda has always been very religious and is a longtime member of St. Brendan's Catholic Church. She is famous for her crocheting. She has made beautiful afghans, scarfs, purses and sweaters throughout the years. Ronda is also known for making beautiful jewelry. Her daughters appreciated all the thoughtful gifts she made for them over the years.

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FEATURED RESIDENT ARTICLE - CONTINUED

Kenny is a devoted husband and a remarkable man. He is here at the Home attending to Ronda multiple times throughout every day. It has been an honor and a privilege to have Kenny and Ronda as part of The King's Daughters Home family. Ronda came to live at The King's Daughters Home on October 14, 2016.

Ronda will celebrate her birthday on June 4. Happy birthday month, Ronda! On her 50th birthday, her daughters threw her a huge surprise party. She was genuinely surprised and had an amazing time. She was very impressed with her family's thoughtfulness and ability to keep the party a secret from her. Congratulations Ronda, and to many, many more birthdays to come!

~CONGRATULATIONS, RONDA. WE LOVE YOU!~

Interview Conducted By: Heather Bonanno, Business Office Director

"We cannot all do great things. But we can do small things with great love."

-Mother Teresa

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Please check out our website to view information about the Home and to see our newsletters and calendars in color: www.thekingsdaughtershome.org

If you would like to receive our newsletter via our website instead of through the bulk mailing, please call the business office to have your name removed from our mailing list. This will help assist us in streamlining our process, and will conserve resources. Thank you!



Announcements

June Birthdays

Ronda Whelan 6/4

New Residents

Please join us in welcoming our newest residents to the Home -

Ida “Pearl” Northcutt

Betty Bishop

Welcome, ladies!

Get Involved

Interested in learning how to become **involved with The King’s Daughters Home**? Joining a Circle is a great way to become a part of the foundational history of the Home. Volunteering in unique ways for the wonderful ladies is where it all begins. Contact the Home office if interested in learning more.

Spread the Word

To be a resident of The King’s Daughters Home, it is not required to be a King’s Daughter nor is it required to ambulate “walk-in” independently.

Fundraisers

Fundraisers for City Unions/Districts or Circles may be posted in The Home News. Please contact Marlis in the business office by the 20th of the month prior to the scheduled event.

Home Fundraiser

The King’s Daughters Home t-shirts are for sale in a variety of sizes in the business office for \$10.00 each.

We are considering a fundraiser event at a local banquet hall to raise money for the Home. We are thinking about

hosting a trivia night with a silent auction. We are requesting items for the silent auction. Please send additional thoughts and/or ideas regarding this endeavor.

MO Branch Scholarships

2017 Balance/Requested

Around The World: \$230/\$500

Health Careers: \$457/\$500

North American Indian: \$220/\$500

Student Ministry: \$390/\$500

Chautauqua: \$1,041/\$1,500

MO Branch Circles

When new circle officers have been elected, please notify Marlis at The King’s Daughters Home (573) 581-1577 or businessofficedirector@thekingsdaughtershome.org with the name and address of the new officers.

MO Branch 121st Convention

The 121st Annual Convention will be hosted by the Mexico City Union at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 9584 Hwy 15, Mexico, MO on October 28, 2017. Convention packets will be mailed in August to MO Branch Executive Board Officers & Chairpersons, Home Board Directors, Past MO Branch Directors, City Union/District Presidents and Circle Presidents.

MO Branch Circles

Please see page 8 for an updated list of **your circle’s birthday lady!** They may be recognized any time throughout the year.

Miscellaneous Information

ONGOING PROGRAMS

- Adult Day Care
Hours 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Half or Full Day Rate
Includes Breakfast, Lunch,
Activities and Private Room
Transportation Available
- **Respite Care for up to 14 days/nights**
Reasonable Rates
24 Hour Nursing Care
Includes Meals, Activities and
Private Room

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS MOTTO

**“Look up and not down, Look forward
and not back, Look out and not in, and,
Lend a hand.”**

PASS IT ON

**The King's Daughters Home is accept-
ing residents on RCF.**

CURRENT CENSUS

ICF: 33/33 (waitlisted)
RCF: 11/12

HIRING

We are currently seeking a business
office director, licensed practical nurses
and certified nurses aides. If you know
anyone, please send them our way.

FACILITY GROUNDS

Please check out the facility grounds.
We have freshly planted flower beds,
flower boxes and flower pots!

That Time of Year Again

If anyone is interested in weeding the
flower beds, we would greatly
appreciate it!

If you would like to share your favorite
recipes, please send your recipes to:

officeassistant@thekingsdaughtershome.org

Recipe Corner

This month the recipe is from Marianne
Froeschner of the Annie Arnold Circle.

HOT CHICKEN SALAD

Ingredients:

- 4 cups cooked, chopped chicken breast
- 4 boiled eggs, chopped
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 4oz jar diced pimento
- 1 tablespoon minced onion
- 3/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice—slivered almonds
- 1 1/2 cup crushed potato chips
- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese

Directions:

Mix all ingredients except for chips and
cheese. Place in baking dish and top with
chips and cheese. Cover and refrigerate over
night. Bake at 400 degrees 25 to 30 minutes.
Spray your baking dish with Pam spray.
Serves 8.

ENJOY!



Thank You...

Norma Precht: Quarters for bingo
DeVault Family: Soda
Paul & Judy Koelling: Note pads, pies
Janet Graham: Country store items
Betty Ann Spurling: Snacks
Shirley Phillips: Oranges
Juanita Schmidt: Snacks
JoAnn Robinson: Puzzles
Beverly Talley: Washcloths, country store items
Jan Allen: Magazines
Crystal Yarbrough: Grapes, strawberries, salsa, chips, raisins, sausage, juice, protein shakes
Eula Mainland Circle: Quarters for bingo, country store items, snacks
Mildred L. Briscoe Circle: Snacks, puzzles, books
Altrusa: Cole slaw, desserts
Astra: Miscellaneous items
Mexico Federated Garden Club: May Day flowers
Mexico High School FFA: Plants/flowers
Littleby Baptist Church: Monetary donation

A special thank you to Janet Graham for teaching exercise class! We really appreciate it.

A huge thank you to Robert & Nada Hunt for weeding the flower beds! Thank you so much.

A heartfelt thank you to Donna Quinlan, Joyce Riney, Ginny Raney and Shirley Brauer for volunteering their time to help with the Mother's Day Tea celebration. You are appreciated!

The First Day of Summer is June 21



Thank you to the individuals who volunteered their time in May:

Church Services on Sundays:

Rush Hill Community Church
Littleby Baptist Church
Friendship Baptist Church
Souls Harbor Baptist Church

Weekly Bible Study:

First Christian Church
First Presbyterian Church
Mexico United Methodist Church
St. Matthews Episcopal Church

Volunteers:

Annie Arnold Circle - Birthday Bingo Party
Janice Kleinsorge - Pet Therapy
Brenda Hickman - Pet Therapy
Maggie w/ Rehab Care - Wellness Exercise
Ginny Raney - Piano Playing
Audrey Stevens & Kay Totten - Piano Playing
April McCown - Bingo
Dorothy Snell - Bingo
Donna Quinlan - Bingo
Rachel Bradley WWU Delta Omega - Bingo
Megan Manning WWU Delta Omega - Bingo
Mya Moyer WWU Delta Omega - Bingo
Altrusa - Bingo
United Methodist Church Youth Group
Mexico Senior Center

A special thank you to all contributors and anonymous donors who may not be listed and whose generosity continues to support the Home. We appreciate everything you do for our ladies and our Home.



MO BRANCH CIRCLE'S BIRTHDAY LADIES UPDATED

Mexico Circles

Annie Arnold Circle

Phyllis Van Horn

July 28

Charlene Smith

December 31

Helping Hand Circle

Edith Schremp

April 28

Helen Estes

December 28

Weller-Rohlfing Circle

Edna DeVault

November 18

Lillian Ruth Case

October 20

Whatsoever Circle

Doris Holliday

January 30

Mary Anne Whalen

August 4

Eastern District Circles

Catherine Richards

Dillingham Circle

Roe Ann Groves

April 30

Ronda Whelan

June 4

Geraldine Hays

November 4

Eula Mainland Circle

Norma Precht

February 10

Gladys Dry

September 22

Mildred L. Briscoe Circle

Minnie Pearl Stephens

May 5

Onilee Crossland

September 7

Kansas City Circles

Emig Silver Cross Circle

Ruth Kent

September 27

Perry Crosby Circle

Lorene Kendall

February 20

Columbia Circles

Ann Ford Circle

Helen Barrow

July 15

Mary Jane Brooks

December 15

Linda Atkins-Silver Circle

Naomi Jean Harp

February 13

Carol Babel Circle

Dorothy Dingman

January 5

Reita Allen

July 18

Cecile Taylor Circle

Lorene Davidson

February 7

Covella Rainey

March 17

Clark-Harrison Circle

Annette Blackaby

February 8

Betty Tiller

October 10

Constance Circle

Etta Jean Gifford

February 28

Nelda Monk

September 22

Constance Emig Circle

Betty Bishop

Jan 7

Dorothy Davis

August 4

Donna Crockett Circle

Helen Hunt

August 14

Velma Allen

September 23

Dorothy McArthur Circle

Mary Linhardt

October 31

Haseman-Thompson Circle

Wanda Craghead

February 24

Mary Searfoss

May 20

Hazel Ebert Circle

Catherine Ann Holsheiser

April 10

Doris Wilson

July 20

Jerry Harris Circle

Marguerite Spurling

November 24

Laurie Estes Circle

Martha Belts

September 14

Margaret Hart Circle

Ardyce Mayes

March 1

Ida Pearl Northcutt

August 26

Ruth Circle

Barbara Churchill

April 24

Ruth Major Circle

Joanna Marshall

November 7

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

UPDATED Wish List for the Home

Activity Department: Quarters for Bingo, 300 or less large piece jigsaw puzzles

Country Store: Perfume, Deodorant, Hand Lotion/Crème, Travel Sized Toothpaste, Potato Chips, Candy Bars, Hard Candy, Chocolate Candy, Diabetic Candy, Cheese Crackers, Little Debbie's of all varieties, Small Cans of Regular & Diet Pepsi/Coke, Dr. Pepper, Sprite & 7-Up, Small & Large Kleenex, Large Print Word Find and Large Print Reading Books.

Items for Nightly Snacks for Residents: Small Bags of Chips, Individual Packaged Cookies, Oreo's, Peanut Butter Crackers, Cheese & Cracker "Handy Snacks", Little Debbie's of all varieties, Snack Size Candy Bars, Reese's, Hersey's Bars, Diabetic Candy, and Small Cans of Regular & Diet Pepsi/Coke, Dr. Pepper, Sprite & 7-Up.