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## Scarlette brings joy to Woodridge residents

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Woodridge, a DePaul Senior Living Community in Monroe, recently welcomed "Scarlette," a Hasbro Joy For All Companion Pet. With realistic fur and cat-like sounds — and sensors that respond to petting and hugs — Scarlette is being welcomed to Woodridge with open arms, big smiles and lots of laughter.

"I love you," resident Delores Street said to the grey motorized cat on her lap which let out an audible "meow" in response. Gently bouncing the cat on her leg, Delores said "she's so pretty."



"The first day that I introduced the residents to Scarlette, they fell in love with her instantly," Woodridge Memory

Care Activities Director Sheka Garris said. "She received many hugs and kisses from the residents."

Scarlette, a Hasbro Joy for All Companion Pet, brings joy to the residents at Woodridge, like Carol Bennett and Alma Anthony.

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Garris said the Companion Pet is especially powerful for residents who once had cats as children or adults.

"This pet can trigger a happy and loving emotion in residents," said Garris. "Their responses are priceless every time!"

Woodridge Administrator Janis Carol said Scarlette has brought an air of peace, comfort and tranquility to the community.



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Shirley Ghant, a resident at Woodridge, cuddles with Scarlette, a Hasbro Joy for All Companion Toy. Scarlette is a new addition to the Woodridge community and has been well-received by residents.