



The DePaul family has always worked hard to make a difference for our people and our communities. In these unprecedented times, we are forever grateful for the countless acts of humanity that raise our spirits and make each day brighter. We hope you'll join us in celebrating the good that we see at DePaul, as we navigate this journey together.

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Caring Matters

We are ever so grateful for the notes of appreciation from loved ones of those in our care letting us know what our dedicated, wonderful employees mean to them. We are proud to be the next best thing to one's own family!

To Heath House Staff:

In this season of Thanksgiving, I just wanted to say thank you to your staff for the way you have cared for Mom at Heath House. I've heard several times that staff members have stopped in to visit and check on her at the hospital.

This pandemic has been hard on all of us, but we know and appreciate what you are doing during very difficult circumstances. Thank you for keeping our family members as safe as you can and for the love and care you show them.



**To the staff at
Wheatfield Commons:**

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the entire staff for all your kindness and support during such a difficult time.

Our Mom was able to spend her final days in a place where she was comfortable and that means the world to our family. All of your efforts provided us peace and comfort.

We truly appreciate each and every one of you!

Thanksgiving

Gratitude was in no short supply across the agency this Thanksgiving.



Pictured above, residents enjoy grab-and-go Thanksgiving at La Rosa Villas in LeRoy, New York and a member of the dietary staff member carves the turkey for dinner at Dayspring of Wallace in Wallace, North Carolina.

Close at Heart

The families of those we serve have a knack for finding the most creative ways to demonstrate how much they care!



Pictured top row, a resident at Wheatfield Commons shows off a giant box of candy her family donated to the senior living community in North Tonawanda, New York and another resident's family delivered on the holiday cheer with these beautiful poinsettias. Also pictured, a resident at Wexford House in Denver, North Carolina proudly displays a wreath that her niece made for her.

Pictured bottom row, residents show off the treats their son made them for Thanksgiving at Wexford House, and a cheerful sign donated by family graces the lawn at Rolling Ridge in Newton Grove, North Carolina.

Overflowing with Gratitude

The outpouring of donations of support from families and community members in recent months has truly been overwhelming. From the food and cards to acts of service, donations of personal protective equipment, and much more, we are beyond grateful.



Many thanks to People's Bank NC for the \$800 donation to Hickory Village Memory Care in Hickory, North Carolina. Branch staff Stephanie Lipski and Sara Barneycastle (who has a relative living at Hickory Village) decided to use sales from a mask fundraiser to brighten our holiday season! Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Pictured left to right are Sara Barneycastle (Peoples Bank in Mooreville, NC), Amanda Randles (Hickory Village Memory Care Coordinator) and Sandi Griswold (Hickory Village Interim Administrator).



DePaul also thanks the following individuals, community groups and family members for their support...

- Cheryl Winkelman made a beautiful dessert for staff as a Thanksgiving gift (Glenwell)
- Residents are enjoying new handknit hats donated by Falling Creek Church (Rolling Ridge)
- Newton Grove Church of God donated gift bags for residents (Rolling Ridge)
- Project Not Forgotten donated poinsettias (Rolling Ridge)
- Handmade Christmas stockings provided by the children of House of Christ will be distributed Christmas morning (Rolling Ridge)
- Newton Grove Police Chief Greg Warren coordinated a visit from the Grinch (Rolling Ridge)
- Youth from Mount Vernon Baptist Church sang carols outdoors and left goodie bags for the residents (Rolling Ridge)
- Children from Piney Grove Baptist Church sang carols outdoors for residents (Rolling Ridge)
- Residents are enjoying seasonal centerpieces arranged and donated by Sanderson Wreath & Garland (Rolling Ridge)
- Kathy Bricker donated a bag full of sweet treats (Twelve Oaks)
- The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints provided treat bags for all staff members (Twelve Oaks)
- Mountain Valley Hospice & Palliative Care provided goodies for staff (Twelve Oaks)
- Family member Pat Garr provided a fruit tray for staff (Twelve Oaks)
- John Bowes and John Jr. Bowes brought treats for staff (Twelve Oaks)
- Scarlett Dowdy contributed goodie baskets for staff (Twelve Oaks)
- Staff relished a tray of homemade cookies from Ruth Ann Gilbert (Twelve Oaks)
- Janet Hooker brought cake for staff for Christmas (Twelve Oaks)
- Residents received homemade Thanksgiving cards from Olivia, Bryana, Jillian, Rachele, Adalyn, Henry, Cameron, Levi, Zachary and Jackson (Wexford House)
- Carol and other members from Denver United Methodist Church put together Thanksgiving gift bags for residents (Wexford House)
- The halls are decked in poinsettias thanks to the North Lincoln High School Band Program (Wexford House)
- Residents are keeping busy with puzzle books donated by Mr. & Mrs. Heftner from Saint James Elementary School (Wexford House)
- Lee Park Baptist Church donated blankets which were raffled off to a few lucky residents (Woodridge)

Stay tuned for more good news...

