Our Lady of Prompt Succor Nursing Home & Rehabilitation Center C'est la Vie Apartments Newsletter ~ June 2016 A Ministry of the Marianites of Holy Cross

June is National Rose Month

The rose has been the official National Floral Emblem of the United States since President Ronald Reagan signed the following proclamation in November 1986: "Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 159, has designated the rose as the National Floral Emblem of the United States and authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation declaring this fact." Take time to enjoy the roses in bloom in our gardens!

Outstanding Employee Awards – 2015 - 2016

On May 13th during National Nursing Home Week, we enjoyed a special barbeque compliments of St. Landry EMS. The lunch culminated with the presentation of employee awards for outstanding service rendered during 2015 - 2016. Staff members from five categories were selected by their co-workers. They are:

Karen Courville – Support Services (Business Office, Unit Clerks, Activities)

Shanpella Stoute – *Dietary Department*

Betty Broussard – Environmental Services

Alisha Gradnigo, Andreé Shakesnider, Josephine Thomas,

and Brenda Young – Certified Nursing Assistants

April Durousseau, LPN and Serella Williams, LPN – Nursing Service

In their own words, each recipient shares a little about her life and the scripture passage which serves as a guide and source of spiritual nourishment.

Karen Courville – I live in Opelousas and have 1 daughter and 1 granddaughter. I came to PSNH in June 2013 and I enjoy my responsibilities of working at the front desk and assisting in the business office. I strive to bring a welcoming, friendly attitude and presence to all that I do. I appreciate the family spirit of our facility and my great co-workers. The scripture passage which nourishes me is *"Faith does not make things easy; it makes them possible."* (Luke 1:37)

Shanpella Stoute – I live in Opelousas and I joined the staff of dietary in August 2007. The residents keep me going! Preparing their meals and seeing them enjoy the food makes me happy! I strive to go the extra mile for the residents; I am grateful as long as they are pleased. The scripture passage which strengthens me is "*Happy those who do not follow the counsel of the wicked, nor go the way of sinners, nor sit in company of the impudent. Happy are they; the law of the Lord is their joy.*" (Psalm 1:1)

Betty Broussard – I live in Opelousas and have 2 children, a boy and a girl. I have been a part of the staff since 2013 but I have been cleaning since I was a child. My mother gave me a little mop and broom when I was 8 years old and I found my gift. I am happiest when I am adding to the cleanliness and beauty of the environment. I take pride in my work; I love to see the sun shining into a room and everything sparkling clean. The scripture passage which nourishes me is "*The Lord is a sun and a shield, bestowing all grace and glory. The Lord withholds no good thing from those who walk in his ways.*" (*Psalm 84:12*)

Alisha Gradnigo – I live in Opelousas and have been on the staff as a CNA since 1996! PSNH is a loving environment and I continue to learn and grow from the residents. I work on the night shift and I actually look forward to coming to work. I am patient and I strive to be a role model in my care for others. Even when I am tired, I am able to find the strength to go the extra mile. The scripture passage which nourishes me is the *Our Father*. This prayer has given me strength and courage throughout my life. (Matthew 6:9-13)

Josephine Thomas, CNA – I live in Opelousas and have been on the staff since 2006. I have 2 children, a boy and a girl. I am the grandmother of 6! I enjoy my work at PSNH because here I am able to make a difference in the lives of others. I bring enthusiasm, commitment, and dedication to my work. The scripture passage which nourishes me is Psalm 100: "Shout joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; worship the Lord with cries of gladness; come before him with joyful song. Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong, whose people we are, God's well-tended flock."

Brenda Young, *CNA* – I joined the staff in 2009. I live in Opelousas and have 1 daughter and 3 grandsons. PSNH is a good work environment. I enjoy the residents and work well with my co-workers who are like family to me. I feel that PSNH is my second home. The scripture passage which strengthens me each day is Isaiah 12:2: "*My strength and my courage is the Lord, and he is my savior.*"

April Durousseau, LPN – I live in Opelousas and have 3 daughters and 2 grandchildren. The 2 grand-children are fraternal twin boys who are almost 4 years old! Yes, they are a handful! I started at PSNH in 2009 as a certified nursing assistant and then completed my education as a licensed practical nurse. I enjoy the family-friendly environment. I am generous in serving, attentive to details and I love working in long term care with the elderly. The scripture passage which sustains me is Psalm 23: *"The Lord is my Shepherd. I shall not want. In green pastures, he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me. He restores my strength and guides me along the right path for the sake of his name."*

Serella Williams, LPN – I live in Ville Platte and began at PSNH two years ago. I have 3 children and 2 grandchildren. The staff is caring and compassionate and this is important to me as I am a person of prayer and very patient. I find that this environment is peaceful and hospitable. I like to encourage others and I am sustained by the words of Isaiah 61:1-3: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because the Lord has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, to heal the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to captives, release to prisoners and to announce a year of favor from the Lord."

Congratulations to our outstanding employees for 2015 – 2016!

We pray with grateful hearts for you and for your dedicated ministry with us at PSNH!

May you faithfully and joyfully walk in the Lord's presence. May each of your days blend the beauty of spring, the warmth of summer, the colors of autumn, and the repose of winter. And, at the end of your days on earth, may you be embraced in the splendor and beauty of the Lord of all Seasons!

\cup Celebrating Birthdays in June \cup

 I. Blouin
 6/07
 M. Myers
 6/20

 E. Gaudet
 6/12
 A. Scott
 6/23

 M. Johnson
 6/05
 J. Sebastien
 6/20

 L. Thomas
 6/15

_ Recently Deceased Residents _ Ann Tate May 16, 2016



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