

SCHMITT WOODLAND HILLS

WOODLAND *Views***SCHMITT WOODLAND HILLS RESIDENT
JEAN WALSH "A BEAR VALLEY GIRL" BY LON ARBEGUST**

The following news article appeared in the September 2, 1938, issue of the Richland Democrat describing The Bear Valley Girls, a kittenball team made up of local girls from the Bear Valley community and nearby towns.

The Bear Valley Girls, who before having distinguished themselves in softball games with city teams, won fresh honors in the tournament at the state fair in Milwaukee last week, and moved Mary Steil, Milwaukee Journal reporter, to write an entertaining feature. The shortstop of the team was photographed when she went up for a high one during Wednesday's game. And looked very nifty indeed. We reprint the Journal's story:

"A swarm of farmer maidens – husky, healthy, eager – swaggered into Milwaukee Wednesday afternoon to 'clean up everything in sight' and snare the state championship in the girls' village and small city softball tournament at the state fair.

They were the tall, fast talking, swashbuckling youngsters, reared in the little community of Bear Valley in Richland County. In the morning game they took the red satin clad Waupaca girls, 4 to 3, and in the late afternoon sunlight they trampled the meek DeForest team from Dane County, 35 to 5.

Out on the field in navy blue pants, white polo shirts and visored blue satin caps set at an angle, they call themselves "the Bears." They grin when they boast, "Yep! We're the Bears. Not Wildcats – but Bears!"

If you think gals don't make good ballplayers, you should have seen those two teams skirmishing before a throng of cheering males and a dozen or so female rooters. They swung at the ball with arm muscles bulging. They ran the bases with bodies bent close to the ground and slid into home plate just like the boys do.

Mannish cheers rocketed from the players' bench – "Come on, Tubby, we gotta get this un!" – Where's your stuff Muggsie?" Of course, a couple of tender little blondes who stumbled around the field like babies



Jean Olson, A Bear Valley Girl

and the two brunettes with the shiny pageboy bobs got most of the male cheers. But Tyke – Tyke who swaggered out onto the field with the hip action of a cobra, hitched her pants, whipped her straight blond hair out of her eyes and yelled, "Let yer come!" was the heroine of the diamond.

With a wham and crash Tyke hit a home run with the bases full, early in the title game, the ball soaring far over the heads of the outfielders and coming to rest under a trailer up against the distant fence...a Bambino wallop in any league.

Tyke – 18-year-old Katherine Ley of Arena – is the hard talking, lean bodied pitcher for the Bears. For five years she has been pitching with a grimness that would make professional

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CYCLING WITHOUT AGE AND ITS HOMETOWN HEROES

CYCLING
WITHOUT
AGE



As our 2nd season and first full season of Cycle Without Age trishaw rides draws to a conclusion, it is a good

time to reflect back on the many wonderful outings that were provided to our residents.

The highlight of this season was undoubtedly the arrival, from Copenhagen, of our 2nd Triobike trishaw. The new addition to the fleet features a more powerful 500W battery. Our original bike was a 250W model. The new trishaw was much preferred by our volunteer pilots. This new trishaw afforded more power for longer trips and more of them.

With a part of a season under our belts, the pilots became a bit more adventuresome. This year we gave rides that extended to Walmart and beyond. The

Krouskop Park and the campus of the UW Platteville - Richland were also favorite destinations as well as tours of downtown Richland Center. Next year we hope to go even further and perhaps sponsor a picnic lunch along the way.

The trishaw was also an active participant in many local activities including the Richland County Dairy Breakfast at the fairgrounds (see article on page 4), the Rodeo Parade, the Alzheimer's and Dementia Walk at the UW Platteville - Richland Campus, Center Color Fest Parade, and others.



We hope to add additional pilots next year to allow us to more fully utilize the two trishaws. The season is short and there is a great demand for rides. We worked on logistics this year and made advancements in our scheduling techniques. We have added a back-up battery for our 250W trishaw and we continue to look for a valued partner to help us maintain and repair our two trishaws.

The residents and staff of Schmitt Woodland Hills wish to thank its home town heroes. Kathy Hamby and Jim Husnik were volunteer trishaw pilots for the 2018 summer riding season. They handled the bulk of the resident rides and also participated in special events including the Richland County Dairy Breakfast, the Rodeo Parade, and the Center Color Fest Parade. Between them they logged many miles and many resident smiles as they pedalled our residents for many exciting trips. Thanks to both of them for all they did!



2nd Annual Christmas Gala – Here Before You Know It



Please join us for our

Christmas Luncheon

Table captains have been charged with decorating their own unique table and center piece. Center pieces will be auctioned at the end of the luncheon along with several other items.

Saturday, December 1, 2018

12:15pm—3:00pm

Proceeds to purchase
New Dinnerware

Donation
\$50



For tickets contact

Bill Bartlett or Barb Harvey at 647-8931 or swhdev@mwt.net

Location: 2nd Floor Lounge & Dining Room

WILLS, WILLINGNESS, AND WILL POWER

Have you ever heard anyone say, "I want to die without a will"? While some people may act like they don't need a will, I haven't heard anyone actually brag about it. That's because some people seem to agree that having a will is a good idea.

Actually, when it comes right down to it, no one dies without a will. State government has seen to that. Lawmakers have "written" a general will that stipulates how our estate will be disbursed – if we fail to do this ourselves. The problem is, they do not know our individual priorities and commitments.

So a personalized will (or other transfer document such as a living trust) is of great value. Not only does it provide peace of mind; it prescribes who you want to handle your affairs and who will benefit from your estate.

We in the Development Department of Schmitt Woodland Hills have discovered that many of our friends and supporters are quite willing to consider placing Schmitt Woodland Hills in their estate plans. They believe in our mission and want to invest part of their estate in our future financial health. The willingness is there.

Knowing the value of having a will and being able to include Schmitt Woodland Hills is commendable and appreciated. But good intentions alone will fail to bring the peace of mind a good will can produce. Nor do good intentions lock in a bequest to an organization you care about. What is needed is action. And what will be needed and what will help produce is will power.

Will power can help you use the power and freedom you have as an individual to make your own choices

regarding the disposition of your estate. Will power can also apply to your decisiveness and determination in getting a will in place.

Let this little message be a boost to your will power and move you to action. Call your attorney and make an appointment. Fill out and send in the coupon below. If we can help you in any way, contact the Development Office at Schmitt Woodland Hills. We are willing and have the will power to help you obtain your will. Do it today!

(Please complete and return this reply form.)

Dear Friends of Schmitt Woodland Hills:

- ☐ Please send me information about making a will.
- ☐ Please contact me about a personal visit or other assistance.
- ☐ I have already provided a bequest for Schmitt Woodland Hills in my will.
- ☐ Please send me information about the William and Oda Schmitt Society

Name: _____

Address: _____

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State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Mail this form to: Schmitt Woodland Hills, 1400 Est Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI. 53581. Attention Development Department.

2018 Schmitt Woodland Hills VETERANS



Front Row (L-R): Gaylord Deets, Jim Walmer, Charles Morel; 2nd Row (L-R): Wilbur Schmutde, Eugene Sommer, Henry Schaub, Glen Hewuse Jr; 3rd Row (L-R): Bernie Dyer, Ken Ramsden, Fred Mohrmann, Melvin Paulson, Dean Braithwaite, Fuzz Spangler; Not Pictured: Harvey "Skip" Ernst



Join Our Veteran's Day Program

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 8TH AT 2:00 PM

in our 2nd Floor Activity Room. Public Welcomed!



SCHMITT WOODLAND HILLS SUPPORTS THE DAIRY BREAKFAST

The Schmitt Woodland Hills Retirement Community rode out to support the Richland County Dairy Breakfast. They brought their Cycling Without Age trishaw to the fairgrounds and provided rides to many of those who were in attendance for the breakfast. Some breakfast goers were given rides back to their cars in the parking lot. Others got a tour of the fairgrounds to see some of the exhibits. Without a doubt however, the trishaw was a huge hit with youngsters at the event. Many photo ops were provided for parents and grandparents throughout the morning.

Kathy Hamby, a volunteer pilot for the Cycling Without Age program at Schmitt Woodland Hills, had the pleasure of giving Kaitlyn Riley, the State's 2018 Alice in Dairyland, and her companion, a tour of the Dairy Breakfast and the Fairgrounds.



After graduating with honors in May, 2014 Kaitlyn served as the 48th Wisconsin Fairest of the Fairs.

Professionally, she worked as the farm news director at WPRE-WQPC Radio in Prairie du Chien and as a multimedia journalist with WQOW News 18 in Eau Claire. In May, 2017 she returned to the family farm where she manages calf and heifer care. She continues sharing the stories of agriculture by freelance writing for *Hoard's Dairyman*, and she volunteers with agricultural organizations such as the Crawford County Dairy Promoters, Crawford County Livestock Camp Committee, and Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation.

FRITZI GOPLIN RETIRES

A huge congratulations to Fritzi Goplin on her retirement after over 32 years as our beautician at SWH!



She has been so committed to our residents and our organization in her time here. Fritzi has played such a big role in providing a high quality of life to our residents!

Thank you, Fritzi!

Margie Walker will continue the beauty shop services for our residents.

ALICE IN DAIRYLAND

Kaitlyn Riley, Gays Mills, learned first-hand the passion and work ethic of Wisconsin farmers while growing up on her family's registered Jersey dairy farm. Wanting to share agriculture's story, she studied strategic communications and broadcast journalism at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In college, she held officer positions with the Association of Women in Agriculture and Badger Dairy Club. She also founded the University's first agricultural radio talk show, AgChat. After graduating with honors in May, 2014 Riley served as the 48th Wisconsin Fairest of the Fairs. Professionally, she worked as the farm news director at WPRE-WQPC Radio in Prairie du Chien and as a multimedia journalist with WQOW News 18 in Eau Claire. In May, 2017 she returned to the family farm where she manages calf and heifer care. She continues sharing the stories of agriculture by freelance writing for *Hoard's Dairyman*, and she volunteers with agricultural organizations such as the Crawford County Dairy Promoters, Crawford County Livestock Camp Committee, and Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation.

GIVING TUESDAY

Black Friday. Cyber Monday.

#GIVINGTUESDAY™

November 27, 2018

#GivingTuesday is a global day of giving fueled by the power of social media and collaboration.

Occurring this year on November 27th, #GivingTuesday is held annually on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving and the widely recognized shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday kicks off the holiday giving season and inspires people to collaborate in improving their local communities and to give back in impactful ways to the charities and causes they support.

Schmitt Woodland Hills will be supporting #GivingTuesday by delivering hot dogs and Italian sausages throughout the Community to raise money for the Alzheimer's & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin. We have dubbed this effort "Wieners on Wheels". We will be offering delivery service to local businesses and will also have a drive-up pickup service as well.

As a 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization, Schmitt Woodland Hills is grateful for the many gifts and community support we receive throughout the year. The generosity of our community allows us to fulfill our mission to the senior citizens of Richland County throughout the year. This food drive is our way of saying thank you and to give something back to the community who gives so much.

Please join us on #GivingTuesday and help make this Holiday Season a bit brighter for everyone.

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November 27, 2018

*Fundraiser for the Alzheimer's
Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin*

"Wieners on Wheels" Menu

Woodland Hills Hot Dog:

Schmitt Super Italian Sausage:

Ketchup

Brown Mustard

Sautéed Onions

Raw Onions

Pickles

Jalapeños

Kettle Chips

Cookies:

Chocolate Chip

Peanut Butter

2018 ALZHEIMER'S WALK



The Richland County Alzheimer's Walk was held at UW-Richland on Sunday, September 23rd, and once again the Schmitt Striders did a fantastic job raising awareness of the disease as well as bringing in funds to be used locally to assist individuals and their families who are coping with Alzheimer's. In addition to decorating the event space and helping with set-up, we also ran the food stand for the event,

cooking brats and hot dogs, and serving a lunch to all the walk participants. For the third year in a row, our team was the top fundraiser in the county, raising over \$4,800! Throughout the year we hosted events like our karaoke night, salad luncheon, casserole luncheon, and sold walker bags. Add those to personal checks and donations we received throughout the year and we were able to raise a lot of money that will come right back and benefit community members in Richland County.



Thank you to all who helped with our different fundraising events during the year, and we look forward to continuing our support of the Alzheimer's and Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin in the future!

JEAN WALSH "A BEAR VALLEY GIRL" CONTINUED

pitchers look like jellyfish. Her teammates say there's no one on earth quite like her. She can get knocked down and come up grinning with the breath knocked out of her.

"Yeeowee," yelps Tyke, rolling her eyes skyward. "I could play softball until the cows come home – and then some!"

They've got big league superstitions and temperaments, too, these young women ball throwers. Despite the ribbing she gets for it, Tyke wears a gaudy blue blazer because "it's kind of lucky."

Off guard, of course, they're still women – worrying about the sunburn on their noses; whisking a cloud of powder on their faces; fretting about the mud that fills their fingernails when they slide into bases; wondering if the boys back home will keep their Saturday night date."

Of course, the story is full of hyperbole and likely would not be written today with its out-and-out sexism displayed, but you get the idea, right? The Bear Valley Girls were good, no great, athletes and had a huge following of loyal fans. In fact, the girls won the state championship three years running, 1937, 1937 and 1938. In that time and place, they were the stuff of legend.

Baseball was the real "National Pastime" in the 1930s and the Richland Center area had some great teams during that era; seldom did they lose. The same can be said about the Bear Valley Girls. They were real champions and played any team that would take

them on, often traveling great distances. The team lasted six years and won first place at the State Fair Tournament three years in a row. In 1936 they won 22 games with only five losses.

The last remaining member of the team is Jean Olson Walsh, 95, originally from Bear Valley, of course. The family farm was in Keyesville where Jean and her six siblings grew up. Recently, Jean, her daughter, Ann Walsh Bradley and yours truly, got together at Schmitt Woodland Hills to chat about the ball club and reminisce about the past.

Jean truly loved growing up on the farm, she said she enjoyed doing chores and milking the cows. Her greatest joys were her beloved pony Dazzle and playing softball. She recalls fondly the family softball games played in the



Jean Walsh and son, Frank, celebrating the Cubs World Series victory.

backyard after supper and chores were done. There was a real twinkle in her eyes when she spoke of Dazzle and telling how fast she could run the bases.

Jean began playing softball with the Bear Valley Daughters, later named the Bear Valley Girls, at the age of 9. She played left field and was the lead off batter since she was known to be fleet of foot. Two of her sisters, Eulalia, known as 'Lala' and Mary were teammates. Lala was one of the stars of the team along with

Tyke Ley and played third base. Mary married Archie Fleming who was team coach.

Her brother, John, was an accomplished athlete also, getting a tryout with the Chicago Cubs. In fact John was escorted to Chicago by well-known Madison sports writer Roundy Coughlin. Coincidentally, Jean's son Frank and his wife, Maeve, work for the Cubs. Jean claims the Cubs are the best sports organization around. She's a fan, what else is there to say?

It never ceases to amaze when interviewing people of Jean's age, how interesting and heartwarming their stories can be. She is truly a wonderful, entertaining and likeable person. An anecdote she told illustrates the fire and passion of remembering one's youth. Jean tells a story of her mother arguing balls and strikes with the umpire; with the umpire, as usual, getting the last word. After the disputed pitch, the umpire called the next one "strike four!"

The Davis Hardware team was a talented local rival of the Bear Valley Girls. In 1936, one of their 5 losses were to the Davis girls. A newspaper clipping from The Richland Democrat told of the ladies losing their composure in the second inning and allowing nine runs to score in a 13 to 8 loss. When reminded of the rivalry, Jean kind of shook her head and exclaimed, yes, they were really something.

Ah, yes, "Youth," as George Bernard Shaw said, "is the most beautiful thing in this world—and what a pity that it has to be wasted on children!" Perhaps not in the case of the Bear Valley Girls and Jean Olson Walsh.



Jean and children: Frank, Ann, and Kathy

The Light that shone brightest that first Christmas was God's love to all people.

Christmas teaches us that God's love is available to all people. This is the Light that shines through all the ages – the Light of God's Love. This is the Light that shone brightest that first Christmas.

I would like to tell a story about another nativity pageant that didn't go quite as planned. It was also sabotaged in a way, not out of envy, but because of one young man's desire simply to make his friends laugh.

The youth group at a certain church was performing a manger scene. Joseph and Mary and all the other characters were in place and ready. They did their parts with seriousness and commitment, looking as pious as they possibly could.

And then it came time for the shepherds to enter.

Dressed in flannel bathrobes and towed head gear, the shepherds proceeded to the altar steps where Mary and Joseph looked earnestly at the straw which contained a single naked light bulb that was playing the part of the glowing newborn Jesus.

Then came an unexpected twist to the play: With his back to the congregation, one of the shepherds said to the person playing Joseph, in a very loud whisper for all the cast to hear, "Well, Joe, when you gonna pass out cigars?"

The solemn spell of that occasion was broken by this simple remark: "Well, Joe, when you gonna pass out cigars?" The cast particularly exploded. It became impossible for them to hold back the bursts of laughter.

The chief angel, standing on a chair behind Mary and Joseph was the worst of all. She shook so hard in laughter that she fell off her chair and took the curtained back drop and the rest of the props down with her. She just kept rolling around on the floor holding her stomach because she was laughing so hard. The whole set was in shambles. The scene turned into utter chaos.

But do you know what? The only thing that didn't go to pieces that night was the light bulb in the manger... It never stopped shining. And that, of course, is the ultimate meaning of Christmas. God's Light never stops shining, the Light of God's love for all people, no matter who we may be or what we have done.

FOUNTAIN AND LANDSCAPING RESTORATION PROJECT DEDICATION

On August 29, 2018 the long awaited dedication ceremony took place. The dedication marked the completion of Phase 1 of the fountain and landscaping restoration project officially dubbed the "Tiers of Joy" campaign. Phase 1 consisted of a new water feature which replaced the old fountain. This original fountain was dedicated in memory of our first administrator, the Reverend Donald G. Carpenter, in 1970, three years after his death. Phase 1 also included brick walking paths, giving our residents a safe place to walk and to enjoy the outdoors.

The highlight of the dedication ceremony was our special guest, Marge Sudheimer, who traveled with her husband, Ray, to join us for the dedication. Marge was one of Reverend Carpenter's children. She spoke lovingly of her father's commitment to Schmitt Woodland Hills and her fond memories being around "the Methodist Home" came to life. She shared a wonderful story that

touched everyone in attendance. Marge received a "well done" from Jean Birkett, a current SWH resident and also her former teacher.

Jean Birkett and Carolyn Freeman spoke on behalf of the residents conveying the importance of this project to all the SWH residents and families.

Prior to the start of the dedication there was a special program honoring the SWH veterans and the new flag which was raised in the pole's new location

which is now much closer to Seminary Street. What a sight it is to see this much larger new flag as one comes up Seminary Street. This new flag was made possible through gifts from two of our residents, Dean Braithwaite and Eunice Moore.

All in all, it was a lovely afternoon, filled with lots of memories, but also a look forward to things to come as we begin to work towards the beginning of Phase 2 in Spring 2019.



CIVIL MINDED RESIDENTS

A highlight of our activity programming in the past year has been to incorporate volunteer opportunities for our residents. Many of them were very involved with community organizations throughout their lives, and they value the opportunity to continue giving back. One way they've done this is by making blankets to donate to Project Linus. Project Linus is a non-profit organization that provides blankets to children in need. Many of their blankets go to children's hospitals, homeless shelters, the Ronald McDonald house, or other charities that care for displaced children. Our residents have made over 20 blankets this year to support this great cause.

We also got involved with the local Rotary Club when we volunteered to help them with their Christmas lights.



Everyone enjoys the Rotary Lights in the Park display at Christmas time. Unfortunately the lights get tangled when they are taken down. So our residents volunteered to help untangle, test, and roll up some of the lights so they are ready to go for the fall.

We also have many residents who help with day-to-day tasks, like folding church bulletins, assisting with clean-up after bingo and other activities, running our handy shop, stuffing envelopes for mailers, and playing music for chapel services. It is a great reminder of the

contributions we can all make through service to others and the good it does for our well-being at any stage of life.



*Tiers
of Joy*



SCHMITT WOODLAND HILLS

***Campaign for beauty and safety
Please join us in this effort!***

***Your gift to the Tiers of Joy campaign, along
with a boost from nature and our design, will:***

- ◆ beautify the physical environment
- ◆ improve the safety of walking paths
- ◆ and yield tears of joy for the well-being of residents, families and staff who provide care

***Your gift will make a long-term difference
in our Richland Center community.***

Yes, I would like to donate

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**Credit Card donations may be made at our website:
Schmittwoodlandhills.com**

KARAOKE NIGHT

On Thursday, July 26th, we held our annual karaoke night fundraiser for the Alzheimer's and Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin. The generosity of the staff and residents who donated raffle prizes and gift baskets allowed us to bring in over \$700 for the evening. In addition to being a great fundraising success, the residents and community attendees were able to enjoy a wide variety of singers and special music.



A highlight of the evening was a very animated performance from three of our nurses (Mary Ann Brown, Carlene Shaw, and Carol Danehy), which featured two songs with costumes, choreographed dance moves, and original lyrics. It was the perfect reflection of the fun atmosphere we try to create at Schmitt Woodland Hills. We look forward to continuing this tradition next year!



WESTVIEW ASSISTED LIVING RENOVATION IN FULL SWING

Our Westview Assisted Living Community is getting a major facelift. Actually, it is more than just a facelift. The main corridors are being transformed. Wallpaper is being removed and new paint, in contemporary colors, is being applied to the walls. The signature portion of this renovation is the addition of two new 2-room suites with a private bathroom with shower. These new suites will be ideal for someone who wishes to have a little more space or for that couple who wish to share a more home-like space.

The planning for this area began earlier this year and the renovation project kicked off in earnest in July with the Tommy P. Harvey Memorial Golf Outing Fundraiser. We were able to raise enough dollars to fund the cosmetic work being done in the corridors and also to the conversion of four regular rooms with a shared bath to the new 2-room suites. With the work on the two suites completed and the work in the corridors well under way, we are beginning to raise the necessary funds to add showers to each of the existing Westview private rooms. We are currently working with state officials to finalize and approve the plans so we do not have a firm

budget for this portion of the renovation. But we do know that this project will stretch well into 2019.

Phase 2 of the Tiers for Joy project calls for some major upgrades to the exterior of Westview as well. We will be replacing some badly cracked and checking concrete in the Westview Walkway. We will be replacing a large section of the original concrete in the Walkway with new, lightly patterned and colored concrete. We are also planning for a new two tiered terraced planter along the parking lot adjacent to the south wing of Westview. Other enhancements are planned for the Westview entrance.

2018-19 will be a big year for our Westview residents. We are anxious to bring these improvements to the residents of our Assisted Living Community. If you would like to help us by supporting these renovations, please see the donor card in this newsletter.



JACKIE'S JOURNAL: GIVING THANKS *by Jackie Carley*

It is so hard to believe that another year has passed. It is also hard to believe that in March of 2019, I will have been the Executive Director at Schmitt Woodland Hills for three years. When I came to Schmitt, I knew in my heart and with God's encouragement that I was making the right decision. Today, I still believe that is true and I have Christ in my life to guide me along the way. I want to say that it is truly a blessing to be part of the Schmitt Family. The Schmitt Family consists of so many people, including the people that live on the Schmitt Campus, their families, our staff and their families, and the Community members of Richland Center and the surrounding communities that support Schmitt in so many ways.

So much has been accomplished here at Schmitt during the last 10 months and none of that could have been accomplished without the strength, hard work, love, and support of the entire Schmitt family. A couple of the highlights for the year were the purchase of a second trishaw for our Cycling Without Age program and the completion of the center circle landscaping project called the Tiers of Joy.

Putting a second trishaw into service this year it allowed more of our residents to be able to go for bike rides and enjoy the beautiful scenery that Richland Center has to offer. Many of you have seen and commented on how awesome it has been to see the bike out and about with residents riding in it. The smiles on the faces of the residents that have ridden in it speak for themselves. One memory in particular stands out for me. I piloted the bike one day and took a resident and her husband for a ride. They both seemed to enjoy the ride very much and that was confirmed by the smiles that I saw on their faces and the conversation that flowed during the ride. At the end of the ride, the husband came over to me and in a quiet voice said "thank you for taking my wife for a ride today". I said, "Oh, it was

nothing and I enjoyed the ride as well". He said, "Oh no, it was something. My wife was having such a rough day before we went on this ride with you and now she is all smiles and happy. It was a true blessing to have you take us on this ride." This is just one of many examples of the quality of life that our trishaw program brings to our residents. We also have the goal of sharing our trishaws with the community. We shared the trishaw with the public at the Dairy breakfast and at the Senior Expo and hope to continue to expand and share it with more of the community in the year to come. The purchase of the second trishaw would not have happened without the generous gift that was received from a family member.

One of the biggest projects that was taken on and completed this year was the Tiers of Joy. I truly have to say that it exceeded our expectations. We now have a very new fountain and a beautifully landscaped green space, complete with brick paths for the residents of our Schmitt Community to enjoy. I have seen people driving by and stopping to take pictures of the area because it is such a unique outdoor space. It is truly a blessing to have this beautiful area which is being enjoyed by all. Again, without the financial support of the Schmitt Family, this project could not have been completed. So thank you again to all who gifted time and money to make this happen. The joy and blessings that you have added to the lives of those who live at Schmitt is beyond what words can express.

We have been so blessed at Schmitt by the love and kindness of so many that it is hard to just pick a couple of things to talk about. So as we are approaching Thanksgiving, I want to say that I am truly thankful to be able to serve those in the Richland Center and surrounding communities. Thank you for allowing me to serve you.

Jackie Carley, Executive Director



CENTER COLOR FEST PARADE

A warm fall evening brought people out to watch the parade. Our entry of a float with a large bike and our Trishaws wrapped in lights helped light the way. Several residents were participants and enjoyed the evening.



FAMILY PICNIC



A wonderful day of family, food, and fellowship came together on Saturday, August 25th. Many hardworking staff, family members, and volunteers worked together to pull off our summer picnic. Featuring a delicious menu of grilled food, fresh salads, and homemade desserts, our residents, their family members, and staff were able to enjoy a meal out on our beautiful grounds. Local 4-H clubs provided games and a petting zoo, the Richland Center Fire Department brought a firetruck, and music was featured at two different venues, with Bruce Tessmer and Randall Crawford, and Jim Olson. As the sun began to set, we also had a campfire with s'mores, and enjoyed watching the wildlife on the hillside as our fantastic day came to a close. It is a fun biennial event that showcases the dedication of our staff and the family environment that we foster at our facility.



Tree of Continued Caring

Please return to:

Schmitt Woodland Hills Tree of Continued Caring

1400 W. Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581

Name of Donor: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ e-mail: _____

Lights in Memory of: _____

Lights in Honor of: _____

Please make checks payable to SWH. Thank you for your support.

Donations \$5.00 per light.

(please use separate sheet of paper if more room is required)

Tree of Continued Caring Lighting

Monday, December 10, 2018

2nd Floor

Program and Tree Dedication

7:00PM

Memorial and Honor Lights can be purchased for \$5 each

Names of honorees and donors will be published in the Woodland Views and displayed in the lobby



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