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Announcing the 9th Annual
OTTERS GAME

Friday, May 10 \$1,000 Ladies Diamond Dig and more! NON-PROFIT ORG. US POSTAGE PAID EVANSVILLE IN PERMIT #1166

Wish List

- 1. Gift cards for Wal-Mart, local movie theatres and restaurants
- 2. Household cleaning supplies and paper products (septic safe)
- 3. Volunteers to help with yard and landscape maintenance
- Volunteers to coordinate a gift drive (diaper, gift cards, METS mobility cards)

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(JULY-MARCH)

IN HONOR OF

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A BEAUTIFUL DAY FOR AN OPEN HOUSE

Open houses held on February 17th and April 7th drew over one hundred visitors to our community, to learn about the Village's expanded mission and to tour the recently completed apartments. Blue skies emerged as visitors enjoyed light refreshments and, in addition to the guided tours, had the opportunity to talk to staff members about the amenities and support services provided to residents.

Built in response to a critical shortage of accessible and affordable housing for those with disabilities and older adults, the one and two bedroom apartments are attractive duplex style residences offering universal design features. Features of the apartments include ground level entrances, wide doors and hallways, bright lighting

and levered door handles for easy opening. Other unique elements are the attached carports, private patios and Energy Star appliances that are part of each unit. But for those low- to moderate- income adults who are challenged by today's market rates, the most appealing feature of the twelve apartments may well be their cost. With rents ranging from \$365 to \$510 per month, the apartments offer an exceptional level of comfort and quality at an affordable rate. Although income and other resident selection criteria apply, the open houses and other grassroots marketing efforts have produced an excellent response; we have spoken to a number of qualified applicants and expect six of the twelve units to be occupied by end of May.

Another feature that sets our community apart from many others is the personal attention paid to resident needs and interest, and access to transportation assistance and social, recreational and volunteer opportunities. In all, Jacob's Village offers a caring, supportive community that is unique in our area.

We ask that you continue to spread the word about the remaining apartments by talking about them to everyone you meet, by inviting our staff to speak to any organization of which you're a member, and of course by visiting us (with friends, we hope!) to see for yourself why our residents are so proud to call Jacob's Village home.



Brand new accessible apartment at Jacobs Village.



Volunteer Eleanor Buchanan and Open House Guests

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From the Desk of

Cheryl Kuchna

President & CEO, Jacob's Village

WITH FOND MEMORIES

"That's riiiiggght." While on paper I can't reproduce the lilt in her voice, I suspect that the phrase alone brings back warm memories of Donna Kay Rayburn to all of us who knew and loved her. Donna Kay was a charter resident of Jacob's Village, moving here from Henderson in October 2004. She had retired from the Sandefur Center after many years of employment there and enjoyed a relaxed retirement lifestyle at Jacob's Village for over 5 years. In 2010, Donna Kay moved to a skilled care facility near her

family in Texas and, sadly, passed away in August 2012. In September, many of her friends from JV and the Henderson area joined Donna Kay's family in a memorial service at the First United Methodist Church to celebrate her very special life. Donna Kay was a dear friend to JV residents and staff alike, and we all cherish the five years she was part of our family.



A smiling Donna Kay.

On behalf of those we serve,

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Welcome Karla!

"No talk, Mom, on Thursday." That's how JV's newest resident Karla reminds her mom that she won't be getting her daily update on what's happening here at Jacob's Village – Karla will be too busy with Karaoke night. It's a call that Karla's mom Susie doesn't mind missing, since it confirms once again how happy and involved Karla is in her new home.

Susie Ficker first learned about Jacob's Village from articles in the Message and Courier Press newspapers, but she and her husband Paul were hesitant about having 38 year old Karla leave home. Karla's sister Sheila reminded them, however,



Karla Ficker

that "You gave all of us a chance at independence; Karla deserves that too." So with some anxiety, Paul and Susie allowed Karla to join our community in November. It's a decision they haven't regretted.

Karla has adjusted well to her new home; she has made good friends in the five months she's been here, and she loves being involved in all the activities available to her. Karla's Mom remembers calling one day and being surprised to learn that Karla wasn't available to talk – she was at the Ice Capades. And because she has always loved animals, Karla especially enjoys trips to the animal shelter.

Karla's family appreciates the range of activities available to Karla, and is very pleased with the safe, home-like environment and especially impressed with the caring Bethesda staff. Sisters Sheila and Jill as well as brother Mike are happy that Karla is part of a supportive community that still encourages Karla to be as independent as possible. Yes, Susie says, Karla is "really happy at Jacob's Village."

Golf Gives Back Program Benefits Jacob's Village

United Leasing, Inc. is proud to sponsor the United Leasing Championship at Victoria National, an official event of the PGA TOUR. The tournament will be at Victoria National from June 24-30, 2013. The PGA TOUR prides itself on giving back to the communities in which its events are held. Beginning April 15 and continuing through June 23, 2013, Jacob's Village, will have the opportunity to raise money through the innovative Golf Gives Back program. All you need to do is visit www.ulcgolf.com to purchase your full-week pass and select Jacob's Village from the drop down menu of charitable options. The price of the

ticket, less applicable processing fees, will be donated back to Jacob's Village. You print your own ticket and head to Victoria National to watch some great golf! It's that simple! Thank you for supporting Jacob's Village!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO ADOPT-A-SPOT

And you don't need to be a Master Gardener to help us! As you know, Jacob's Village is located in a peaceful, semirural corner of Vanderburgh County. We have always tried to provide an attractive, inviting community for our residents: nature trails, lots of green space and areas for community gardens encourage outdoor recreation, healthy lifestyles and also foster a sense of neighborliness.

However, with limited resources and over 100 acres of property, helping hands are needed to keep Jacob's Village an inviting and comfortable place for our residents. Therefore, we are pleased to announce that Jacob's Village is piloting an Adopt-A-Spot Program and asking for volunteers to care for landscaping on various parts of our property. The program asks a minimal time commitment of only a few hours each month.

We invite your family, business, church group or civic organization to partner with Jacob's Village and help us beautify any one of the following areas:

- Landscape and maintain Jacob Village's front island – 1 volunteer group needed
- Landscape and maintain 4
 flower beds along our beautiful
 nature trail 4 volunteer groups
 needed
- Landscape and maintain flower beds along the back edge of Jacob Village's property – 1 group needed

We would love to hear from you if your group has interest in Adopting-A-Spot at Jacob's Village. You'll offer us a great blessing by volunteering and you'll be rewarded with lots of smiles and high fives



Volunteers hard at work beautifying the landscape.

from our residents and staff! If you can donate time, plants or alternatively, would like to fund materials for Adopt-A-Spot, please call the Jacob's Village office at 812,963,5198 and ask for Sherri or Tom.

\$1,000 Diamond Dig at Annual Otters Benefit Game

On Friday, May 10th, the Evansville Otters will host the Southern Illinois Miners in their annual exhibition benefit game for Jacob's Village! Over the last nine years, the Otters game has generated over \$120,000 towards Jacob's Village programming. The Otters game is a night our residents, supporters and the public look forward

to each year. Once again we are excited to partner with Tracy Zeller Jewelry for a \$1,000 Ladies Diamond Dig at the game where one lucky woman will win big! Immediately following the game, 25 lucky women will be invited onto the field to dig for the "diamond". The lucky lady that finds the diamond first will walk away

with a \$1,000 Tracy Zeller Shopping Spree. Every woman over the age of 18 is eligible to win, so Dash to the Diamond on Mothers Day weekend for your chance to win big! Tickets are \$4 General Admission & \$6 Reserved Seating, and can be purchased at Bosse Field, all Ritzy's locations and from Jacob's Village.



Otters player & resident Jessica after last years first pitch.



Everyone ready for Otters Baseball!