



MEMORY GARDEN TO HONOR RESIDENTS BECOMES A REALITY

For several years now, it has been our hope to find a meaningful way to honor our beloved residents who have passed away, so when Boy Scout Michael Goedde approached us about doing his Eagle Scout project here at Jacob's Village, those residents immediately came to mind.

Michael, a senior at North Posey High School, has grown up with Jacob's Village. His mother Angela served as guardian to Wanda Hufnagel and still acts in that capacity for Wanda's brother Michael. Since Wanda passed away in 2013, the idea of a memory garden seemed especially appropriate.

The requirements for an Eagle Scout badge are considerable. First Michael brought us his idea; when we agreed to it, he had to develop and submit a plan for the garden itself, develop a business plan, and then do all of the fundraising. Once he had the funds in place, the real labor began. The garden will be centered around a single large stone with the Jacob's Village logo engraved on it. Around that stone are laid memorial bricks engraved with the names of all those deceased residents we remember so fondly. Michael spent his entire spring break laying gravel and sand, leveling, and learning to work with wet stone in order to lay the memorial stones themselves. As you can see from these photos, he did a wonderful job!



The project will be completed within the month, and we will hold a dedication ceremony soon. A tree and some landscaping will be added in the fall, thanks to other friends of Jacob's Village who have donated funds in memory of these residents. And we hope someday to add benches to make this tranquil spot even more inviting. Many thanks, Michael. And congratulations on moving closer to earning your Eagle Scout badge – no small feat!

EVENTS CALENDAR

Evansville Otters / Jacob's Village Benefit Game:

Friday, May 3 – Bosse Field

Walking for Dreams:

Sunday, May 19 - Downtown Riverfront

Christmas in July:

Wednesday, July 10 - Wendel Hall, Saint Wendel Church

Trivia Night:

Saturday, November 9 - The Ivy Room at SWIRCA

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT – TURNING POINTE CHURCH

This past October members of the Turning Pointe Church converged on Jacob's Village to paint, sweep, organize our storage room and repair the trail to the meditation garden. Led by Jacob's Village staff member and Turning Pointe Church parishioner Tom Burmeister, church members have volunteered each fall at Jacob's Village for the past five years. Their service is part of the parish's "What's the Pointe?" program, which focuses on explaining the history of the church and encouraging church members

to identify opportunities to get involved in the community. Members are encouraged to coordinate with a non-profit in the community for a day of volunteering, which is typically preceded by a brief church service. As Tom stated, "It has been very rewarding and productive to have members of Turning Pointe come out and help us by volunteering their time and energy with us each fall." Thank you Turning Pointe Church for your continued service to Jacob's Village.



CAMP CONNECT PROVIDES CAMP FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES – PASTOR DAVE WIIST

Camp Connect provides people with intellectual and developmental disabilities the opportunity to interact with God's Word through Bible study, music, art, and drama while at the same time meeting new people and developing life-long friendships. Camp Connect is a free camp for any adult with a developmental disability. To help our volunteers, caregivers or family members are asked to attend with campers. The Next Camp Connect experience will be held July 23-25 at Jacob's Village Community Center. Campers should register no later than July 16. For more information contact Pastor Dave Wiist at 812.422.0384.



ANNUAL OTTERS GAME TO BENEFIT JACOB'S VILLAGE ON FRIDAY, MAY 3 - LAURA HURT

Can you believe baseball season is just around the corner? Please join us on Friday, May 3rd, when the Evansville Otters host the Southern Illinois Miners in their annual exhibition benefit game to benefit Jacob's Village. We'll be celebrating a partnership that has generated over \$190,000 to further the Jacob's Village mission! We are pleased to partner with Tracy Zeller Jewelry for a \$1,000 Ladies Diamond DASH at the game, where one lucky woman will win big! Join us on Friday, May 3rd for great baseball, a chance to win a \$1,000 Tracy Zeller shopping spree, free popcorn, door prizes, clowns for the kids and more! A generous 100% of tickets sales benefit Jacob's Village! Tickets are just \$6 General Admission, \$10 Reserved Seating or \$12 VIP seating, which includes in-seat wait service. Tickets can be purchased at Bosse Field, all Ritzy's locations or by calling Jacob's Village at 812.963.5198. We hope you'll join us for this evening of fun at the ballpark.



OUR MISSION:

Established in 2004, the mission of Jacob's Village is to develop a safe, walkable, neighborhood community where people with disabilities and older adults can find meaningful relationships, housing that is affordable and accessible, and activities that encourage active minds and bodies. More information can be found by visiting www.jacobsvillage.org or facebook.com/JacobsVillage

THANK YOU GENEROUS DONORS!

Many thanks to the United Way of Posey County for two generous donations to Jacob's Village. The organization donated funds to allow us to purchase a four person golf cart. The cart will be housed at the Community Center, and will allow the staff to drive our residents with disabilities and older adults to activities at the Center, the community garden, and the meditation garden. While we always encourage our residents to walk or bike to events in the Village, some of them are simply unable to do so without assistance. This cart will allow those residents to participate fully in the life of the Village, without missing out on activities they once couldn't access. It offers even more opportunities for us to engage our residents in forming friendships and building community!



AND THANKS AGAIN...

What's more, the Posey County United Way also granted Jacob's Village a donation for a new security system. Leveraged by another generous donation from Traylor Brothers Construction Company, we recently installed HD cameras and a digital recorder at the Community Center, and another camera at the storage building. We will also upgrade the current system to an HD system. Many thanks to both of these great organizations for their generous support. With their help, Jacob's Village continues to thrive as a safe place our residents are proud to call home!



THUNDERBOLTS HOCKEY GAME



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WISH LIST ITEMS – PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP!

- A sound bar for the Community Center
- Snack, craft and toiletry items for Bingo – a resident favorite!
- Walmart and Dollar Tree gift cards to support resident activities
- 5-10 lb weights for resident exercise classes
- Silent Auction Items for Trivia Night – landscaping, restaurant giftcards, get creative!