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### SJH ANNUAL RAFFLE

**\$10,000  
Grand Prize**

A ticket application and additional information can be found on the insert.

Don't miss out!



### GARDEN CLUB

The SJH Garden Club shares vibrant colors, delightful fragrances and tasty treats with residents.

This activity always draws a crowd.

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# St. Joseph's Home Journal



Diane Ekiss, Mary Kern, Katherine Bork and Pat Mander enjoy arranging zinnias.

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## 2012 City Ornament

### We were there when it all began...

It's hard to believe that this is the twentieth ornament in the City Ornament series!

We wanted to celebrate this milestone with you by bringing a unique (and fun) design to the collection...

The Sisters of St. Francis of the Immaculate Conception broke ground at our current location on July 1, 1925, and officially welcomed residents "Home" on September 12, 1926. Then along came the now famous byway - Route 66.

A 1948 tribute to SJH founder, Mother Mary Pacifica read as follows: *"Beside throbbing highway 66, near the junction where life flows to, from, and around our city, stands St. Joseph's Home, haven for the aged."*

Given this unique place in history, we are delighted to partner with the International Route 66 Mother Road Festival, the Illinois Route 66 Scenic Byway and local artist Thomas D. Whalen to add this truly unique design to the City Ornament series. It's the first ornament to include St. Joseph's Home.

Ornaments can be purchased beginning September 21, 2012 at our front office, by phone, (217) 529-5596 or on our website, [www.saintjosephshome.org](http://www.saintjosephshome.org).

*Ornaments purchased by phone and by website will include applicable shipping fees.*



Join us for the unveiling on  
September 21st at SJH.  
(Time has not been determined  
at the time of print.) Visit  
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St. Joseph's  
Home

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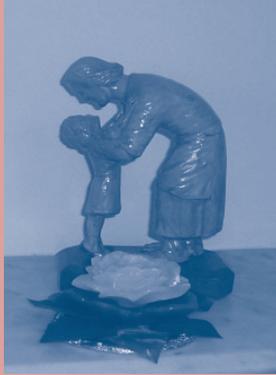
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Please pray  
for vocations



## From the Administrator

**“So many things are happening around here...”**

Dear Friends of St.  
Joseph's Home,

It's hard to believe it is  
time for another of the  
newsletters to be going  
out, but here it is.

So many things are hap-  
pening around here that  
at times it's hard to keep  
up. As was mentioned  
earlier in the newsletter,  
the bathroom project  
was finished at the end  
of July. This is one of the  
essentials of good care  
for the elderly. Adding  
the bathrooms makes  
life easier not only for the  
residents, but for the  
staff members who care  
for them. We appreciate  
the help and under-  
standing of family mem-  
bers as we did this  
project and know it will  
be appreciated by all  
who are involved.

We have also continued  
again this summer the  
cookouts for the resi-  
dents and their families.  
We have had the cook-  
outs for ICF 2 & ICF 3  
and the Sheltered Care  
Dining Room under the  
awning in the front of the  
building. The cookout  
for Holy Family Center

was held in their units  
and garden area. I have  
been told by many resi-  
dents and family mem-  
bers that it was an  
enjoyable evening for all.

The next project we are  
looking at doing to im-  
prove the life of the resi-  
dents here is to change  
our boiler and air condi-  
tioning system. The cur-  
rent boiler for the home  
was installed in 1958.  
The life span of these  
units is far less than 54  
years, so we have done  
really well with this. I  
can't say there have not  
been problems, there  
have been. Each year  
as the boiler gets older,  
the problems seem to  
get more expensive and  
numerous. That is why I  
commend the Board of  
St. Joseph's Home, both  
present and past, who  
have been keeping their  
fingers on the pulse of  
what was happening  
with this issue and have  
begun the investigation  
into replacing the heat-  
ing and air conditioning  
units and improving the  
lighting throughout the  
Home. We hope to  
begin this project soon  
and will appreciate any

help from our generous  
benefactors that is avail-  
able.

When I think of the many  
things which have been  
done around, in, and  
throughout the Home, I  
know that none of it  
could have happened  
without the generosity of  
our many benefactors,  
such as any of you read-  
ing this letter right now.  
Whether you were able  
to give us \$5.00 or  
\$5,000.00, the amount is  
not the important thing, it  
is the trust and friend-  
ship that you have  
shown to us here at St.  
Joseph's Home through-  
out the year. Each thing  
that the Sisters and staff  
do for the residents is  
done because there is a  
generous benefactor  
backing us. You are in  
our daily prayers for the  
way you have helped us  
to care for the “Wisdom  
Figures” who reside  
within these walls.

Thank You, and may  
God bless you, as only  
He can,

*Sister M. Lenore*

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**WISH LIST**

There are many ways for individuals, businesses and organizations to donate to St. Joseph's Home.

SJH staff rarely has the opportunity to purchase "wants or wishes" for the residents – items the staff feels will help enhance the lives and daily activities of our residents.

So we've asked the staff to create a wish list. This list is for the sole benefit of our residents.

Following are several of the current "wishes":

China Dinnerware to make mealtimes more like home. *Please note\* monetary donations are needed for this item. Place settings have been chosen from our supplier.*

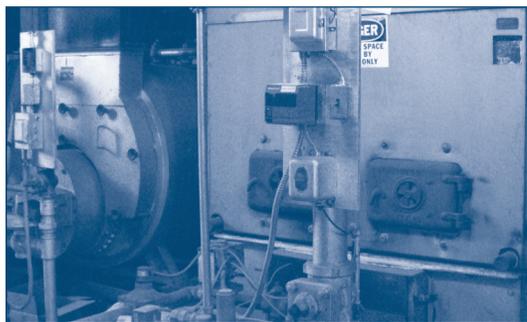
Prizes for Games hand lotions, jewelry, figurines, fig newtons, sugar wafers and sugar-free treats

Beauty Shop Supplies shampoo capes, hair spray

To view the entire list, visit us at [www.saintjosephshome.org/supportourministry](http://www.saintjosephshome.org/supportourministry) or call (217) 529-5596 and ask about donating to the wish list.

**"Home" Remodeling – no small feat**

**HVAC Replacement \$2.9 Capital Improvement Project**



This boiler is 54-years-old

Our biggest endeavor since the addition of the Holy Family Center will soon be underway. The project will replace the current heating and air conditioning systems and will improve and update lighting. These improvements will increase efficiency making the overall project more cost effective. The estimated cost of this project is \$2.9 million.

*Can you help?*

**Bathroom Remodeling Complete**

**BEFORE AFTER**



The resident bathroom remodeling project has been completed. The goal of this major project was to increase the number of bathrooms in the intermediate care units. Many residents were sharing bathrooms which by today's standards (vs. 1926) are outdated. Building more bathrooms will improve the care and comfort of our residents, and help ensure that St. Joseph's Home will remain a first choice in long-term eldercare in the Springfield area for years to come.

**Thank you to all who contributed to make this update possible.**

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

### 2012 Gala

Thank you to the many volunteers that helped to make the 2012 Forget-Me-Not Gala such a successful event.

Barb Butler (Co-chair)  
Carole Ficke (Co-chair)

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Dore Skeels  
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Ann Unanue  
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Debbie Watts - Accompanist

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Brandie Carroll  
Ashley Dalby  
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Robert "Alex" La Kamp  
Ashley Nikanovich  
Bethany Owens  
Mital Patel  
Sara Rebbe  
Katie Reuck  
Anne Short  
Michelle Willham

## 2012 Forget-Me-Not Gala



What a success! The 2012 Forget-Me-Not Gala held April 28, 2012 at Christ the King Parish Center raised \$61,000 to benefit our Continuing Care Program.

The Gala Committee and Sisters would like to thank all those who attended, volunteered to plan and serve and all those who donated to this worthwhile cause.



Jeannette Hassebrock, Rosemary Hassebrock, and Bette Schafer attend Gala.



The silent auction had an assortment of unique items.

A special thank you to our 2012 Gala Sponsors:

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**We remember  
you each and  
every day in our  
prayers.  
God bless you!**

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everything you  
do for  
St. Joseph's  
Home!**



## RUMMAGING REWARDS

Treasures Abound

On May 18 and 19 SJH held a garage sale to benefit the HVAC replacement project. \$2,100 was raised.

Thank you to all who donated items. A special thank you to the volunteers who helped price, set-up and negotiate!

Julie Chrisman  
Mary Ellen McElligott  
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Darlene Santibout browses the extensive book section.

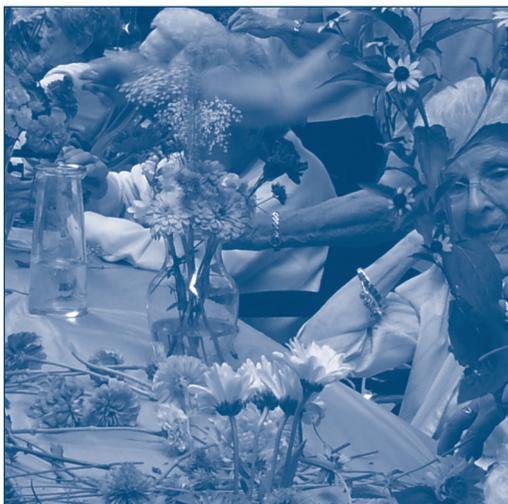


Julie Chrisman and Judy Murphy help organize.



## Garden Club

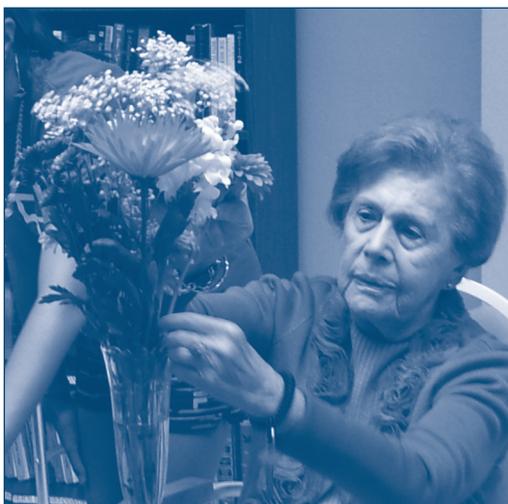
Always a crowd favorite, the SJH Garden Club visits every Thursday to bring residents a wide-range of topics and amazing hands-on activities. From herbs to terrariums, we're always excited to see what they have planned for us. We especially love the delicious tastings they bring. Yum!



Residents arranging fragrant flowers.



Melanie Hallman serves "fresh from the garden" tomatoes.



Georgia Schultz creates a vibrant bouquet.



Molly Braido and Anna Louise Hermes enjoy flavored teas during the herb program.



## Recently Deceased Memorials

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Bernadine Dickson  
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- **City Ornament Unveiling** – Fri., Sept. 21, 2012 at St. Joseph's Home, 3306 South Sixth St. Road, Springfield
- **Ornament Sales during Route 66 Festival**  
Visit us at our booth from Fri., Sept. 21 – Sun., Sept. 23 downtown
- **\$10,000 Annual Raffle Drawing** – Sat., Oct. 20, 2012 @ 3:00 p.m.  
Join the excitement when we draw the big winner!
- **St. Joseph's Home's Fall Fest** – Sat., Oct. 20, 2012, 11-4 p.m.  
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- **Memorial's Festival of Trees** – Nov. 17-25, 2012  
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