



Woodleigh News

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INVESTOR IN PEOPLE



3 Stars

CQC - Excellent
Top Rated Home

ISO 9001 Quality



Nottinghamshire
Social Services

Quality
Band 5

Top banding



Winner - Personal
Excellence

Runner Up - Best
Development of Talent



Finalist 2009 & 2010



Personal Excellence

On a cold November evening last year Woodleigh staff were awarded 3 top awards at the Midland Family Business Awards 2010. Competing were a wide range of very different businesses - the only common theme being they were owned and run by active family members.

Sam, our manager won the "Personal Excellence" category. This recognised the huge amount of hard work, commitment and her personal example to staff. Kirsty-May Heath, Ambitions and Activity Coordinator was also runner up in this category - another well deserved recognition at the end of a year in which Kirsty organised the first ever Woodleigh residents` holiday to Skegness and for the third year running was a finalist in NAPA`s Music Week national challenge.

On behalf of all staff John received the runners up award for the "Best Development of Talent" category. A truly memorable and rewarding evening.

John and Gail and Sam

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Our aim is to be Mansfield's best and most homely care home for the over 50's.



Recent News

- We welcome the following new staff:
 - ❖ Carers: Craig Osborne
 - ❖ We welcomed back Paul Thomas as our facilities manager. Also thank you to Ian Mann who stood in so capably in Paul's absence.
- In the last few months the following staff have achieved:
 - ❖ Sam has completed a coaching course and is now an accredited staff coach.
 - ❖ Kerry, Steve and Leanne attended the Loros course in palliative care.
 - ❖ Kerry, Garry, Ian and Matt are working towards their NVQ3 in team leading
 - ❖ Kirsty-May has completed ecdl level one.
 - ❖ Everyone is NVQ2 qualified or are working toward s this level
- We are now fully Wi-Fi throughout the home after winning a "Get Connected" grant from the Government. Internet access is now possible for all residents and we have purchased a number of laptops and desktops.



Holiday 2011

We will be going on holiday again on 9th May to Butlins at Skegness, taking at least four residents.

We will also be running another day trip to Skegness for the rest of the residents, on Friday 24th June, there will be spare seats on the coach, I'd LOVE to have volunteers for a day or even two.



If you can help please talk to Kirsty or Sam.



- For the third year running we were national finalists in the National Association of Activity Provider's challenge. Last year the theme was to organise a music week. Every care home in the country was encouraged to join in and we came in the top 15. Everyone in the home joined in.
- Results from the resident, relative and professional user surveys can be found in the foyer

We know lots of people hold Woodleigh up to God in their prayers.
Thank you and thank you to God - he listens and it works!!

Residents' Art Week

Last November we had three arts weeks, each dedicated to a different form of art. The first was a photo week during which we developed all the photos and the residents chose their favourite twelve to make into a calendar which we sold at the Christmas Fayre to help raise funds for Friends. One of my favourites is on the right but look inside this newsletter for some more.

On the second some residents wrote poems.

Then on the third week we made a video with staff about their views and opinions on working in care and around Woodleigh in general, we're having this developed by Angela's husband Daniel.

We are planning another arts week on 14th March, I've sat with residents and we've decided to have one big arts project that we can all do bits of and then smaller side projects. Our large project will be a Mosaic for the side of the chapel to help keep the garden bright, and the residents have decided on a design but it will be a surprise!! If anyone would like to volunteer to help with the arts project they are more than welcome.



Extension



After a year the new extension is all complete. We have added a new garden lounge next to the chapel, two additional quiet sitting areas, a new kitchen and eight new premium en-suite bed rooms. Also more en-suites to existing bedrooms, additional quiet sitting areas and bath and shower rooms. We have refurbished all the bedrooms and living rooms. The kitchen, bathrooms, lifts and fire systems have been upgraded. Thank you to residents, staff and visitors who have been so patient and understanding for so long.

All this work means we can now accommodate up to 44 residents in a wider range of types and sizes of rooms. Please feel free to be nosy and come and have a look.



Three Stars - Top award

For the third year running the Care Quality Commission (CQC) awarded us their highest quality award, 3 stars - Excellent - in their inspection in April 2010. We are one of only 9 nursing homes in Nottinghamshire to receive this accolade. More details can be found on their web site.

www.cqc.org.uk



Church Services are held every Tuesday in the Chapel and Communion is on the first Thursday of the month.
Everyone is invited.




Friends of Woodleigh

Objective: The continued relief, comfort & wellbeing of the residents of Woodleigh Christian Care Home.

The Friends are a registered charity.



The Spring Coffee Morning in April raised £280, thank you to everyone who helped.



We are on the web at
www.woodleighcare.co.uk
email:
care@woodleighcare.co.uk

Residents can receive emails at
friends@woodleighcare.co.uk



Father Christmas's grotto
See inside for more photos

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Relatives and friends are particularly welcome at all these events and at any other time.

Saturday 26th March 11.00- Spring Coffee morning

Friends Committee Meeting midday

Sunday 3rd April Mothers Day service at 3pm followed by family buffet tea at 4pm

Sunday 24th April Easter Service with Dawn McEvoy at 11am

Monday 9th May – Friday 13th Residents holiday to Skegness

Saturday 18th June Strawberry Fayre 2pm

Sunday 19th June Fathers Day Service at 3pm followed by family buffet at 4pm

Sunday 25th September Harvest Service with Dawn McEvoy at 3pm followed by buffet

Friday 4th November Pie & Pea Supper at 6pm followed by firework display – **Friends committee meeting 7.00pm**

Saturday 19th November Christmas Fayre 2pm

Saturday 10th December Family Tea at 4pm

Saturday 24th December Carols around the Christmas Tree at 6pm

Other regular events

- Weekly- Days out & bus trips – relatives welcome
- Local area tea parties (2nd Thursday in the month except Dec)
- Special Christmas shopping trips (very popular)
- Local school events (from drama to craft)
- Professional entertainer performances
- Visits by a qualified manicurist

Additional events are regularly advertised in the foyer.

Care provision at Woodleigh - over 50?

Woodleigh can now not only offer short and long term nursing and residential care but also day care, palliative care and more specialised nursing care for anyone over the age of 50. Trial stays and visits are available and encouraged.

Sam will visit any prospective resident to assess their needs. We also recommend that anyone considering entering a care home visit unannounced - always the best way to see the home. However if you are coming from a distance and want to talk to the manager we recommend ringing before hand.

If you would like to be added to our regular mailing list please contact Dawn at Woodleigh.

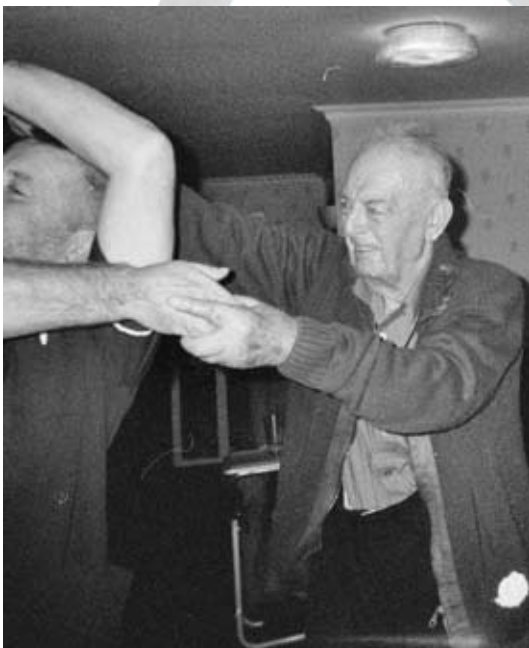
Ambitions and Activities



ARTS WEEK PHOTOS

During our arts week I encouraged everyone to take pictures of their life at Woodleigh. Here are just a few of those.

Kirsty-May, Ambitions Coordinator



Guy Fawkes Night

We had our annual pie and pea supper with firework display, firework donations made by neighbours Gary and Jonathan, residents enjoyed the display and tucking into a warm pie and pea supper, visited by friends and relatives.



Thank you to all local churches and schools that come to entertain us.



FRIENDS of WOODLEIGH

Our "Friends" are an essential part of the life at Woodleigh. They provide motivation, ideas, practical support and finance to make many of the things you see here happen. Including this year our first holiday. Last year Friends raised over £5800. Donations are always welcome and if you can Gift Aid the treasurer can claim the tax back!



The Christmas Fayre
This year we raised £525, which is fantastic as we didn't have as many people visit as usual due to the adverse weather. Thank you to all our volunteers on the day and the donations we received from local businesses, The Oasis hair and beauty parlour, B and Q old mill lane, Boots and The Body Shop.

