Total Raised by Saint Simeon’s Team: $1,650

Thank you to the brave souls, (21 people & three dogs) who were a part of the Saint Simeon’s Walk to End Alzheimer’s Team!!! They survived steady rain, lightning, and a wind burst!

Christine Combs and Warren
Desiree Davis (also participated in the 5K Run)
Lindsay and Ron Fick
Brenda Haesloop
Dara Harris and Bree
Tawnee Hawley, Lewis and Lilly
Kathy Hinkle and Simone
Brandy McDaniel
Mary Nole and Brinkley
Rebecca Rogers, Marsha and Brandon
Gina Sides, Chazley, Christine, Micah, Annette, Austin, and Kennedy
Lyndsey Smith
Paul Smith
Bob Snow (Resident)
Dewilda Williams
David York (Trustee)

Thank you to those whose generosity made this donation to the Alzheimer’s Association possible:

Anonymous
  In honor of Desiree Davis
  In honor of Maxine Dempster
  Lindsay Hurley Fick

Ruth Fishburn
Karen Garren
Kathy Hinkle
Saint Simeon’s
Karen Stanhope

Katy Vines
  In memory of her Great Grandmother, Fannie Cathey
  and in honor of her Grandmother, Ona Bell Watson
SAVE THE DATE

The Saint Simeon’s Auxiliary will again host Resident Christmas Parties this coming holiday season!

Saturday, December 15th

Health Care Center
10:00 a.m.
Common Room

Assisted Living
1:30 p.m.
Common Room

Memory Center
3:00 p.m.
Memory Center Activity Area

Stay tuned for more information in the November and December Quill newsletters, including a new dining opportunity to be offered to Residents and their families at the noon meal on December 15th, as well as the traditional options on Thanksgiving and Christmas.
Saint Simeon's is **NOT** moving...

...but we are getting a new street address!

As recently reported in the Tulsa World and by local news stations, **effective October 15, 2012**, by order of the City of Tulsa, the official street name for Saint Simeon’s will change to:

**3701 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.**  
**Tulsa, OK  74106**

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**Committee Meetings**

**LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE**  
Saturday, October 6th  
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Smith Conference Center  
Committee Chairs:  
JoAnna Newman & Kathy Hinkle

**FRIENDS of the ANIMALS**  
Friday, October 12th  
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Smith Conference Center  
Committee Chairs:  
Bob & Anne Evans
Recently a family wrote Saint Simeon’s and expressed beautifully just what Roots n’ Shoots n’ Critters is all about!

I wanted you to know how the little things done by Saint Simeon’s mean so much to many of us. What you have purposefully or inadvertently done is create little adventures all around the campus. This summer my mother, Pat, who is in the Memory Center, and I had the opportunity to watch the vegetable garden grow. We had such fun touching the plants, finding the bugs, and then eating tomatoes right off the vine. Luckily your magnificent peacocks and funny looking pigeons cooperated with wheelchair access spying. We kept track of the egg laying, hatching, and watching the clutches grow. Someone is good enough to always have the bird feeders full, and in perfect spots to allow us to sit comfortable and watch. I know this is a chore since I do it at home. My mom taught me about the natural world, and it is something I can continue to do with her. This is what makes your facility a good match for us. My mom is uncomfortable leaving the facility for visits, but we are fortunate that we don’t have to leave to have fun. My mom says she says that she lives in the most beautiful house she has ever seen. She says she can’t believe that she could be so lucky. I appreciate all you do. Thank you for providing a place that nurtures one of the most important things I inherited from my mom – Curiosity!  Barbara Ann

Our newest “little adventure” is a bit of whimsy that some of you may not have discovered yet. In the garden beside the Chapel, there is now a Parade of Tortoises - not to be confused with the living tortoises in our courtyards. Over the past few months, every week another tortoise has arrived but they were just peeking out from under and behind bushes waiting to make a grand appearance. These come from my far too vast collection of turtles and tortoises (just the outdoor ones) and are especially meant for children to enjoy. If you look carefully, you might see another one sometime...

The Parade of Turtles. Technically these are tortoises, but many people use the names interchangeably. Tortoises live on land and have higher dome shells. Turtles live in the water, are lighter weight, and have flatter shells to allow for navigation in the water. Tortoises have much longer life spans than turtles.

What you see in this whimsical parade are tortoises. Turtle

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Dear Residents, Families, and Friends of Saint Simeon’s,

One of the wonderful things about living in Oklahoma is that we actually get to experience all four seasons. I remember during my seminary years in Austin, that central Texas had two seasons: green and brown. Now I don’t want to take anything away from that area. In the spring, there are some pretty awe-inspiring scenes of bluebonnets and Indian paintbrushes in the Hill Country of Texas. But I did miss fall in Oklahoma.

There’s something about the fall that is just magic for me. Every season has its signature, and the fall certainly has many. Of course, there is the change of leaves, which will begin soon. Mums of wonderful hues get planted in local gardens. Pumpkins, corn shocks, hay bales, and decorative gourds of every size, shape, and color – all are to be found in and around people’s homes. However, fall begins for me with the Sun. That’s right, the Sun.

Now most people associate the Sun with summer. Of course! It’s the international symbol for summer. Nothing says “summer” like a big old yellow Sun! But, something different happens around the end of August. It’s as if the Earth turns a corner, and the Sun suddenly casts more of a golden tinge to everything bathed in it. The air smells different too! It enlivens me, and awakens me to fall’s message: “Get ready! The Earth is about to show forth in splendor before it yields to the cold and dark.” I do, indeed, come alive in the fall.

Perhaps fall is giving us something to remember before it recedes into the winter frosts. Perhaps, with its beautiful colors and abundant produce, fall simply tells us to remember that all will return; that there is a time to be born, and a time to die – but nothing dies forever!

Life, in this world, takes on form, and then returns to its formless state. It may cease to be a thing, but it does not cease to be. In birth, life is the promise of growth. In growth, life is the promise of bloom. In bloom, life is the promise of decline. In decline, life is the promise of death. In death, life is eternal – and death ceases to exist.

May the blessings of fall fill and enliven your soul,
Fr. Bill Holly+
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clan from the outdoor collection of Kathy Hinkle. Ask your child how many tortoises can he or she see. Mulch is currently stirred up by a family of two awfully cute raccoons who are visiting each evening and digging for something. It looks like we have hired someone to till the whole garden!

Recently a family member shared this with Saint Simeon’s, …
We have a Visitor Guide that identifies the main areas, but nature is not predictable, and that is what makes life here so interesting. There is a new “…” in the Chapel Garden.

Beautiful pots in the MC – Moneywort, Aster (Believe), encore Azaleas (Autumn Royalty) bloom in spring, summer, and fall. We have such a long history here on this hill – did you know this is called a cuesta? A ridge with a steep side and more of a slope side. Geological history deals with millions of years. Human history a much shorter span of time. Saint Simeon’s has been serving people here for 52 years. But it was a ranch before then. When Resident AJ Shields lived here, he was always exploring the grounds. Two of the horseshoes (or mule shoes?) he found are on display in the Education Office harking back to when cattle grassed here. It was not that many years ago that the front gate was just a cattle guard. AJ also discovered a large rock marker. This can be seen by the ramp into the Common Room.

History and Geography Lesson
Now here is where history and Nature come together. Tulsa was first settled by the Lochapoka (Turtle Clan) Muscogee (Creek) Indians. Driven from their native Alabama, they rekindled their ceremonial fire under the a large burr oak tree now called the Creek Council Oak (Cheyenne Ave and 18th St.) The name they chose was “Tulasí” meaning “old town” in their native language and named after Tulsey Town, the name of an old Creek town in their native Alabama. We have a sapling from that tree growing in the Gazebo Courtyard.

Did You Guess Who???(answered from back cover)

It’s Resident Tom Freeman! Tom was serving in the Army Air Corps and while stationed at a former German Air Base, he had the opportunity one Saturday to go to Nuremberg and observe the trial. On the docket that day was Julius Streicher, but all of the prisoners were sitting in the front row, including the infamous Hermann Goering.

Freeman is pictured above with his wife, Ruth.
October birthdays

10/3 Paul Perrin
10/8 Doris Coburn
10/8 Jacqueline Payne
10/10 Bernice Vaverka
10/12 Betty Nemec
10/13 Tom Crewson
10/23 Marie Gregg
10/24 Logan Posey
10/25 Elizabeth Failing
10/27 Edith Greubel

Welcome

Jane Glenn
Edythe Schroeder
Janice Yeatman

Our new family members!

Would you like to sign up to receive the Quill by e-newsletter?
Send an email to kimberly.earickson@gmail.com
Receiving the Quill by email is faster, and reduces postage costs to Saint Simeon’s!
If you don’t have email, we will gladly continue to mail the Quill to you.

October Resident Council Meetings
Learn about upcoming events and share your thoughts! All Residents and family members are always welcome.

Health Care Center
Thurs, 10/25, 10:30 a.m., Garden View Dining

Cottages & 1st Floor Dotson Assisted Living
Tues, 10/30, 10:30 a.m., Deisenroth Bistro

2nd Floor Dotson Assisted Living
Tues, 10/30, 1:15 p.m., Common Room

Memory Center
Thurs, 10/25, 3 p.m., Home 6

D-Hall Assisted Living
Tues, 10/30, 1:15 p.m., Common Room

We Remember

in Our Prayers

Cordella Craig
Ruth Johnson
Stan Markwardt
Lenora Myrick
Portia Preston
Blanchie Purgason

Paul Santag
Jean Tate
Elizabeth Thompson
Donald Warner
John Wheat

Those Who Have Graduated from this Life
Guess Who???

Our Residents have had some very unique experiences! Read the clue below - do you know who it could be? *(The answer is inside!)*

**Which one of our Residents attended the Nuremberg Trials?***

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**Men's Social Club**

Games, conversation and camaraderie on the third Thursday of each month.

Men Only.

For more information, contact:
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**NEXT MEETING:**
Thursday, 10/18 - 3 p.m. in the Bistro