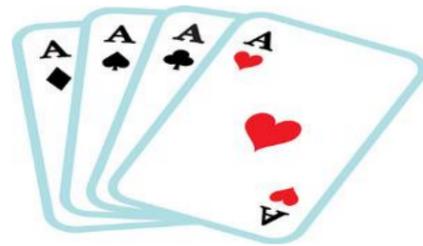




### Annual Christmas Sweater Contest

Every year, NHC staff has a contest to see who wears the best Christmas Sweater and the residents and visitors are the judges. Everyone went all out this year and the sweaters were some of the best that we have seen! Many of the residents commented on how much seeing the sweaters really put them in the Christmas spirit. It was a tough decision but the winner this year was our Social Services Director, Carla Smith, who is pictured above. Great job, Carla! We appreciate everyone that participated and made this a fun event for not only our residents, but also other staff and visitors.



### NHC Poker Tournament

Here at NHC Kennett, we have several residents that enjoy playing poker. Unit Manager, Aaron Chase and Administrator, Alex Sellars had the idea to start a poker tournament to be played one afternoon a month. We have had the best response from our residents. Not only do we have several that are interested in learning to play, we have many that enjoyed just coming out to watch. We encourage all family members and residents to come out to observe or to join in on the fun! Residents play for NHC Fun Bucks that they use to buy items at our Resident Auctions. Thanks again to Alex and Aaron for thinking up such a fun activity! Next month's tournament is scheduled for Tuesday, January 9th at 2:30 P.M. in our main dining room. Pictured below is the group that participated in last month's tournament.



NHC is looking for volunteers! We have a ton of activities going on and are always looking for people that want to help. We are looking for energetic, outgoing, caring individuals that would love to make a difference in the lives of others. Groups of volunteers are also welcome! If interested please contact Kayley Ridings, Recreation Director, at 573-888-1150.



NHC would like to congratulate Anna Beth Williams on finishing her project to receive her Girl Scout Gold Award. We appreciate all of the activities and special projects that you have done with our Bootheel Commons residents. This young lady represents what it means to be a girl scout that exemplifies compassion and civic responsibility. We know that our residents will really enjoy the activity materials that you donated to the unit. Pictured above is Williams with several of our residents that participated in her programs.

*Send a special message to your family member!*

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*ptskenett@gmail.com*

*Please, be sure to include recipient's name in the subject line of your note. E-mails are printed and delivered to rooms daily.*



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# Resident of the Month



Pictured above is Ms. Alice Tice

The featured resident for the month of January is Ms. Alice Tice. Alice is from here in Kennett, MO and is the mother to three boys and the grandmother to three boys and two girls. She was a CNA for home health for many years and says that it was a very noble job. When I asked her what she liked most about working as a CNA she said "I loved to meet people, some of them became like family to me and I hated when I had to leave them." Ms. Tice likes to talk about her Pentecostal faith and spoke to me about growing up in church with her family. That is something that is very important to Alice and it is obvious in her conversation. When speaking with Ms. Tice, I asked her what she liked the best about NHC and she said, "It's good here, they take good care of me." She enjoys attending Bingo and special events with the activity department. Ms. Tice always has something new to tell you and is quite the character. We are glad to have her as a resident at NHC-Kennett.

**Annalea Craig, Recreation Assistant**

