



HIXSON  
**Morning Pointe**  
 Assisted Living &  
 Alzheimer's Memory Care

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**HIXSON'S MANAGEMENT TEAM**

**Teresa Bryant**

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**Linda Noll**

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**Steven Wright**

Food Service Director

**Bobby Pruitt**

Maintenance Director

**Locks of Love**

Longtime volunteer grows his hair out to donate to Locks of Love. He scheduled the cut at Morning Pointe of Hixson for the residents to cheer him on.



Richard Martinez with his mother and Pauline Trudeau

Richard Martinez, a Hixson High School student and longtime volunteer, grew out his hair for almost three years in order to donate to Locks of Love. He

agreed to get it cut at Morning Pointe of Hixson Assisted Living so the residents could watch.



Pictured at top are residents Eunice Kerley and Marty Landis along with hairdresser Pauline Trudeau and our volunteer, Richard Martinez.

Residents gathered for an hour as Pauline, our beautician, cut his hair in sections. They were proud of what he was doing to help others.

Since volunteering at Morning Pointe, Martinez has gotten his CNA license and will start college next year in a nursing program.



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## At the Pointe



### Time With Teresa

It's that time of the year to start cleaning out and changing to a lighter wardrobe. As we move forward in that process, let me remind you that in an assisted living community, we cannot have chemicals in our residents' apartments. By that, I mean Clorox, harsh cleaning products or anything that could be a hazard. Along with that, any residents who self-medicate must have all medications, including over the counter meds, in a locked drawer. Meds cannot be sitting on counter tops or out in the open. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Happy spring!

### Easter Time at Morning Pointe

Residents celebrated all day on Good Friday. During lunch, we had music from Frank Byars. Residents and staff danced and had a great time. Surprisingly, when the "Bunny Hop" came on, the Easter Bunny appeared! He greeted every resident as he hopped around the dining room.



Sybil and her family enjoyed the visit from the Easter Bunny.



Betty and Pat got special hugs and kisses from the Easter Bunny.

That afternoon, we played Bunny Bingo and had ice cream and cookies. The Easter Bunny made time to come again and greet the residents and children. Residents in the Lantern had an Egg hunt in the courtyard that afternoon. After watching the children hunt eggs, they celebrated with a party. Everyone had a fun-filled day.

### Exceeding Expectations Winner

Bobby Pruitt came to work for Morning Pointe on 10-19-09 as the Maintenance Director. He was part of the construction crew that built this beautiful building. On Nov. 1, 2009, our first resident entered the building. We could tell that Bobby would be a natural with our residents. He might have been a construction worker, but he has a heart for our senior population. *Exceeding expectations* has been something that Bobby has done all along, constantly going beyond to assist our residents. Since the campaign started the first of the year, he has been nominated six times by residents, family members and co-workers. He has been known as a jack of all trades, superhero and the fixer upper. Some other comments

were, "He interacts with the residents," he will stop and listen to your concerns and he is always friendly. He goes out of his way to do whatever to make us happy and wears a smile at all times.



Congratulations, Bobby Pruitt



## Resident Spotlight - Robert D. Ramsey

Robert D. Ramsey, Jr. was born on Dec. 14, 1924. He met his wife, Bobbie, when he was in the eighth grade. They began dating three years later and have been together ever since. After 66 years of marriage, they have six children, 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Robert and his family moved many times during the years, but settled in Chattanooga in 1977.



2nd Lt. Robert Ramsey - November 1945

After high school, Robert lived in a construction camp near Celina, TN and helped with the construction of the Dale Hollow Dam. He later joined the military and has served in the Army, Air Force and National Guard. Robert became a professional civil engineer, helping to design Atlanta's Rapid Transit System and the Arnold Center in Tullahoma, TN. He has also taught at Tennessee Tech and Chattanooga State. He worked at

Marshall Space Flight Center where he built test stands that were used to test the rockets that launched men to the moon in 1969.



Trainload of German POWs on way home after WWII from Ft. Leonard Wood, MO

One of his favorite memories is when they landed on the moon that year. He also attended the launch of Apollo 15 and Robert shook hands with Frank Borman after he returned from orbiting the moon in Apollo 8. Robert enjoyed traveling with his family and has been to every state except Nevada. Some of his hobbies are deer hunting, shooting and working crossword puzzles. He has also taken flying lessons and would like to complete them some day. Robert and his wife have lived here since March of 2010. They are members of Hixson United Methodist Church. Robert believes their faith has led them along the way and feels very blessed.



## Visitors



Hixson area home-schoolers gather weekly & this time they gathered at Morning Pointe. The young students sang, played piano & recited poetry for the residents.



Bart Cofer presented a Good Friday message in the Lantern.



Gene Luscinski brought his RC B-25 Bomber to share with us.



Jeff Parker and the First Baptist Church Choir



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