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Just a Walk in the Park...









On a beautiful Saturday morning recently, a group of the Mary Galloway Home's board members, along with friends of the Mary Galloway Home, met at the Dixon Gallery and Gardens to tour the gardens. Dale Skaggs led the group through the main sections of the garden, the South Lawn, the Formal Gardens, the Cutting Gardens, and the Woodland Gardens. Members of the group enjoyed listening to Mr. Skaggs tell about the history of the gardens and the origins of the many pieces of sculpture throughout the grounds. He also provided valuable information about plants that are well-suited to the Memhis area. Several of the group stayed to tour the museum and check out the Gift Shop. Plans are being made to visit again in the Fall as the season changes.

A family member of one of our recent residents has graciously allowed us to share with our readers her expression of gratitude to The Mary Galloway Home. She has eloquently captured what has been the mission of The Mary Galloway Home for over a hundred years.

To The Board Of Mary Galloway,

There are no sufficient words to adequately express my gratitude and thanks to all of you. In these busy and hectic days we are living in it is not often that you find people who are willing to give of their time, effort and money to help others, especially those they do not know. I am grateful for the large organizations who are willing to raise the finances to fight cancer, childhood diseases and other such noteworthy causes. But I cannot begin to tell you how grateful I am for people like you who have looked beyond what others are doing and looked for the less conspicuous and less broadcasted needs of others.

When I first started researching the assisted living communities for my mother, I knew immediately it would be extremely difficulty, if not totally impossible for me to provide the finances that would be needed for such an undertaking. I wanted so desperately to be able to provide her with a lifestyle that would allow her to remain active and fulfilled throughout her remaining years. I had just about given up hope that this would ever be a possibility when someone shared with me about the Mary Galloway Home. You made it possible for my mother to truly experience a full and active life up to the very last hour. You were her answer to prayer, she had always said that she did not want to be an invalid or to be totally dependent on someone else, she wanted to "live her life and then just go home" and that is exactly what she did.

I will be forever grateful to all of you not only for your financial support, but for your caring, concern and giving of yourselves to others – especially to my mom. I truly believe that when we stand before God He will not be as impressed with the big things we have done according to man's greatness. I believe that what will stand out to Him is the giving from our heart in areas where few others are ever aware of what we have done. The apostle Paul tells us in scripture that we are to "remember the widows and the orphans" Your ministry at Mary Galloway has faithfully followed this mandate, it is much like a hidden treasure, a treasure that is close to God's heart. I feel very blessed and thankful that God allowed us to be the recipient of this special ministry organization.

May God richly bless you and continue to cause you to walk in His divine favor. You will remain continually in my prayers that God will provide "exceedingly, abundantly and above all you could ask or think."

From My Heart,

Gwen Smith

Gwen Smith
Daughter of Juanita Smith
June 24, 1919 – June 13, 2009
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New Residents



DOROTHY BAUMAN was born in Sylacauga, AL and has lived most of her life in Memphis. She moved to Mary Galloway in June. She has one son, 2 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and 2 brothers.
She was a homemaker but also had a varied background in the business world, having spent time in sales, food processing and as a housemother at St. Joseph's School of Nursing. She taught Sunday School and enjoys both flower and vegetable gardening.



FRANCES STANLEY was born in Humboldt, TN. She moved to Mary Galloway this past June. She never married but had 5 brothers and sisters, as well as many nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews. She has had many interesting positions during her lifetime. She worked at Fisher Air Craft as a riveter on air plane parts, at Arthur Fulmer, making seat covers and refrigeration parts, and in office positions at Singer Sewing Machine Co., Malone & Hyde and Memphis LG & W. She enjoys watching TV, church gatherings and dancing.



INEZ WATERMAN is a native of St. Peters, Barbados, West Indies. She moved to Mary Galloway in July. She is one of 7 children, 3 girls and 4 boys. She has numerousnieces and nephews. Before moving to Memphis fourteen years ago, she lived in England, Bermuda and Scotland. She is an RN with experience in the field of mental health and obstetrics and gynecology. She is widely traveled and enjoys cooking, gardening, watching outdoor sports on TV, reading, pets and church activities.

Birthdays

May	June	July	August
Mattie Walpole (9)	Frances Stanley (25)	Jamie Downen (26)	Charlotte Edwards (4) Peggy O'Sullivan (13) Mabel Norton (14) Inez Lowe (16) Hilda Dickerson (30)

In Memoriam

Flora Barton 1919-2009	Juanita Smith 1919-2009

ZING! Went the Strings of Their Harps

In May, we were all treated to a very special performance by the Memphis Harp Ensemble. These talented and lovely ladies shared with us their unique musical gifts on a vast array of different harps. The music they performed, as well as the demonstration of the mechanics involved in harp playing, created a delightful afternoon's entertainment. We are, indeed, indebted to Barbara...Diana Wellford...D.Averwater.....











Mardell Marberry



Born in Cherry Valley, Arkansas, Mardell Marberry went to the same small school from the first through the twelfth grade, graduating as the valedictorian of her class. She had scholarships to college, but instead married her high-school sweetheart, Vance.

They moved to New Orleans, where her husband worked as a welder in the shipyards and where their son was born. When her husband went into the army, Mardell lived in Memphis with her sister-in-law. Their daughter was born after he returned from the Army. While in the service, Vance felt called to the ministry, and when he returned, they moved to Walnut Ridge, Arkansas, where they both attended Williams Baptist School. They later transferred to Union University, then back to New Orleans to the Baptist Seminary. After seminary, they moved to Foley, Alabama, and later to Henderson, Tennessee.

Mardell loved assisting her husband in his work in the church, and has many interesting and entertaining stories about life as a minister's wife. She was in charge of weddings in the church and loved to entertain. A pretty and stylish lady, she modeled in fashion shows in Jackson.

After Vance retired, he continued to work in the church and taught Bible classes. When he died, a year ago in February, Mardell divided her time between her son in Jackson and her daughter in Memphis before moving into Mary Galloway. She was delighted to find a dear old friend, Lola Ruth Carrington, had moved into Trezevant Terrace, and has enjoyed renewing their friendship. She is close to her family and has two grandsons, one granddaughter, and one great-grandson. She stays active and loves to go out to eat. Mardell says she is grateful for Mary Galloway and the feeling is definitely reciprocated. With her humor, charm and graciousness, she is a welcome addition to the Mary Galloway family.

Jewell Hansbro



Born in Cherokee, Alabama, Jewell Hansbro was the oldest of four children. She grew up in the country on a large farm.

At sixteen, she began to gradually lose her sight and went to the School for the Blind in Nashville, where her aunt lived. It was there that she met her husband, who was also visually impaired. They got married when Jewell was twenty-four and moved to Memphis. Her husband, who had partial sight, worked for a dairy and later had a vending stand at Memphis State. They had one daughter, and Jewell kept house, cooked and cared for their daughter without assistance. After her husband died, she remained in their house by herself until she moved to Mary Galloway.

She enjoys listening to talking books, and belongs to an organization for the blind where she has many friends. She says she has thought about getting a seeing eye dog, but does fine with a cane. Her daughter and grown granddaughter live nearby and they take her places and visit often. Jewell has led a full and independent life, never letting her handicap limit her activities. With her positive attitude and lively sense of humor, she is truly a jewel.

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