



The DePaul family has always worked hard to make a difference for our people and our communities. In these unprecedented times, we are forever grateful for the countless acts of humanity that raise our spirits and make each day brighter. We hope you'll join us in celebrating the good that we see at DePaul, as we navigate this journey together.

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## Veterans Day Strong

Veterans Day is an opportunity to recognize some of the 23 million brave men and women who have selflessly served our country and risked their lives to protect our freedoms. DePaul has the honor of caring for many veterans across our programs in New York, North Carolina and South Carolina.



Veterans were celebrated throughout the agency with fanfare including certificates, donations from the community and even ice cream sundaes.

Pictured top row, left to right, are seniors from Dayspring of Wallace in Wallace, North Carolina, Greenbrier in Fairmont, North Carolina, Glenwell in Cheektowaga, New York and Westwood Commons in North Chili, New York.

Pictured bottom row, left to right are residents from Twelve Oaks in Mt. Airy, North Carolina, Wheatfield Commons in North Tonawanda, New York, Woodridge in Monroe, North Carolina and Wexford House in Denver, North Carolina.

**DePaul residents respond:**  
*What was it like to live in the USA during the WWII era?*

"We had nothing, wasted nothing. Times were very hard."

"We ate what we grew."

"We did without a lot of things and collected a lot of things to help."

"You couldn't buy anything, even a new car, for years after the war was over...you had to make due."

"Military bases transformed from little places into big paved areas."

"All of our efforts were for the defense of the USA."



In honor of Veterans Day, residents at Rolling Ridge in Newton Grove, North Carolina responded to the question "What was it like to live in the USA during the WWII era?" Their answers are pictured above.

## Hats Off to You!

A little thank you goes a long way!



Wexford House, a DePaul senior living community, in Denver, North Carolina recently hosted a Staff Appreciation Day with the help of many area businesses who donated gift cards, memberships and more, including Speedway, Comedy Zone, Race Way Escape, Joey's, Freddy's, Denver Tire, Pitt Stop, East Coast Grill, McDonald's, Wendy's, Arby's, Duckworth Grill, Brixx Pizza, Pomodoro's, Citrus Grill, Captain Gallery, Dairy Queen, Smoke House Grill, Carowinds, Sports Page and more!

## Kindness Rocks

Random acts of kindness can come in many shapes and sizes and sometimes even on a rock.



Residents at Pee Dee Gardens in Florence, South Carolina recently painted and distributed rocks downtown. One resident who was watching from the bus said "it was wonderful seeing people pick them up and smile when they read them."

## Feeling Fresh

Feeling your best begins with looking your best! DePaul's seniors are finding many ways to put their best foot forward.



Pictured left to right are seniors from Woodridge in Monroe, North Carolina and Wheatfield Commons in North Tonawanda, New York with fresh haircuts and a resident at Glenwell in Cheektowaga, New York proudly sporting a bracelet she made.

## Overflowing with Gratitude

The outpouring of donations of support from families and community members in recent months has truly been overwhelming. From the food and cards to acts of service, donations of personal protective equipment, and much more, we are beyond grateful.



- Trader Joe's continues to donate flowers for residents (Wheatfield Commons)
- The University of Mount Olive and Professor Edward Olive donated pansies which residents enjoyed planting in the garden (Rolling Ridge)
- Project Not Forgotten gifted a fun pumpkin centerpiece and flowers for staff and residents (Rolling Ridge)
- Medi Home Hospice provided goodies to residents for Veterans Day (Greenbrier)
- Lu from Kindred at Home provided pins for veterans (Wexford House)
- Jennifer, Katie, Rachel, Adelynn and Bryanna provided handmade cards and donated soda for Veterans Day (Wexford House)
- Shannon Roberts and Girl Scout Troop 2307 donated beautiful boxes including cookies, blankets and other goodies to honor veterans (Wexford House)

**Stay tuned for more good news...**

