

# UPDATE

JANUARY 2017

## Broadway House Volunteer Group Wins State Award

"Jane and Friends," a Westfield NJ-based volunteer group from Faith Lutheran Church, have been selected as the **Volunteer Group of the Year by the Health Care Association of New Jersey (HCANJ)**, the state chapter of the national American Health Care Association. The award was announced and presented at HCANJ's annual conference in Atlantic City.

Founded and led by Pastor Jane McCready, "Jane and Friends" are an asset to the specialized care program for people living with HIV/AIDS at

Broadway House for Continuing Care. Broadway House is the only facility providing this type of care in NJ. The group helps residents reach their potential by providing them with spiritual support in a fun and dynamic way.

"Broadway House residents welcome the warm embraces of "Jane and Friends," said President/CEO James Gonzalez, MPH, FACHE, LNHA. "The group makes our residents feel loved and appreciated, meaningful and needed especially those who have been alienated by their families for a variety of reasons. Due to the group's encouragement and determination, there has been increased participation in worship and activities with a



Award-winning "Jane and Friends" with President/CEO James Gonzalez.

brighter outlook in living with HIV/AIDS."

Jane and Friends members include: Pastor Jane McCready, Carol Suiter, Pastor Mac MacPherson, Carol MacPherson, Larry Holt, Karin Miller, Ed Johnson and Nancy Coleman. They all reside in the Westfield area.

## Broadway House & Serenity Hospice Care Partner to Provide Services

Broadway House for Continuing Care (BHCC) and Serenity Hospice Care of Bordentown, NJ, have entered into an affiliation agreement to make it possible for BHCC residents with a terminal illness to receive hospice services within the nursing home and for Serenity Hospice patients to receive skilled nursing care if needed at BHCC.

When a BHCC resident chooses to receive hospice services from Serenity, an individualized care plan will be developed by both organizations. Hospice staff will be available to the BHCC resident 24/7 and a Serenity case manager will be designated to coordinate the hospice care services.

Likewise, when a Serenity hospice patient needs admission to BHCC, a care plan will also be developed by both facilities and a designated BHCC care team member will

be responsible for collaborating and communicating with Serenity representatives, patients and physicians. BHCC will provide personal care services, nursing care, medicine administration, meals and nutrition services and prescribed range of motion therapies as needed.

"Serenity Hospice is committed to meeting the needs of every patient we serve at Broadway House," said Carol Blair, Administrator. "It is our mission to work closely with their staff toward a common goal, providing the best quality of life for their residents."

"The affiliation with Serenity Hospice is perfect for Broadway House," remarked President/CEO James Gonzalez, MPH, FACHE, LNHA. "The Serenity care team will bring comfort and a sense of peace to our residents in their care and we will provide hospice patients the highest level of skilled nursing care delivered by our equally compassionate staff."

# Quality is our Priority!

**B**roadway House recognized the dedication of its staff and clinical consultants during National Healthcare Quality Week by awarding their high standards of work as well as their improved patient care outcomes and health care delivery at a special luncheon in October.

Lois Beatty, Director of Quality and Regulatory Affairs, spoke about Broadway House's quality achievements in 2015-2016:

- 2 years of Quality Assurance/ Performance Improvement accreditation by Providigm
- Increased number of Abaquis staff/ residents interviews
- Increase in CMS Star Ratings
- CAUTI Project Award for lowering occurrence of urinary tract infections

Guest speaker Loretta Kaes, BSN, RN BC, C-AL, LNHA, CALA from the Health Care Association of NJ, presented the upcoming changes from the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (the Final Rule) to be implemented in the long-term care industry.



*Lois Beatty, Director, Quality & Regulatory Affairs Director (center), recognizes staff for their high standards of work and dedication to quality. (L to R): Tyannah Valle, Amy Aymar, Wes Dieujuste, Nettie Florence.*

## A New Year's Welcome

The Broadway House family is pleased to welcome 2 new staff members:

Ms. Susan Meadows, who came to us 6 months ago as an interim Director of Human Resources, has agreed to accept the position on a full time basis. Susan previously worked for Prudential Financial Services in Roseland and Newark, and most recently served as the Director of Human Resources for the Kintock Group of Newark. She holds a BA degree in Psychology from Rutgers, and is a Certified Professional in the Society of Human Resources Management.

Mr. Christian Hong is our new Director of Pastoral Care. He most recently served as the Pastor of the Korean United Methodist Church in East Brunswick, NJ, and Metro Community Church in Englewood, NJ. He holds a Masters of Social Work degree in Direct Practice from Rutgers School of Social Work, and a Masters in Divinity in Pastoral Ministry from Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, NJ. He has also served as an Outpatient Clinician and Licensed Therapist for Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark, Vision Quest, and Trenton Psychiatric Hospital.

# WORLD AIDS DAY 2016

World AIDS Day is an opportunity to unite in the fight of HIV/AIDS. At Broadway House, the tradition is honored in a personal way because to the residents and staff, it is personal.

The annual program began with a drumming circle to call residents and staff to the ceremony. Director of Activities Nestor Beard introduced the program and spoke of the history of World AIDS Day. The traditional name calling and remembrance ceremony was marked with the lighting of electric candles. MICA Counselor Carolyn Miller led the audience in guided meditation to cultivate a peaceful mental response through relaxation techniques and positive affirmations.

The Broadway House Choir, led by Executive Assistant Corinn Somers, presented a sing-a-long session and President/CEO James Gonzalez closed the ceremony with his remarks on the occasion.

For the Memorial, AIDS quilts were hung in the building's rotunda and Art Therapist Rachel Jaslow created "Put the Writing on the Wall", an interactive art piece to provide residents and staff the opportunity to reflect how HIV/AIDS has touched their lives.



*Residents and staff placed candles during the Commemoration Ceremony.*



# Rockin' the Holidays at Broadway House

Residents and staff alike engaged in multiple holiday celebrations in the month of December.



*Jane & Friends Sing a Long*



## Staff Door Decorating Contest Winners:



*1st place:  
Mary Lugo, Social Services*



*2nd place:  
Lobby Front Desk/Security*



*3rd Place:  
Virginia Brown,  
Behavioral Health Director*

## Generation Pharmacy Christmas Day Dinner

Broadway House's pharmacy services vendor traditionally brings in a Chinese dinner for the residents and serves them on Christmas Day.





# Staff Party & Employee Recognition

Employee of the Year: Wes Dieujuste



*New Beginnings Christmas party for residents*



**We offer:**

- » Comprehensive healthcare services  
for adults living with HIV/AIDS
- » Post-acute rehabilitation  
for all adults
- » Behavioral counseling & coaching
- » Social Services
- » OT, PT, Art therapy
- » Wound care
- » Pain management / palliative care
- » Chiropractic services
- » Pastoral care
- » Daily residential activities

## Make a Difference: Volunteer at Broadway House

Volunteers are important members of the Broadway House team and we carefully place them in assignments that match their interests.

*We are currently looking for adults (individuals or a group) who can work closely with our residents that have dementia. If you have this type of caregiving skill, that's great! Training will be provided either way.*

Broadway House is easily accessible and our supervised parking lot is available at no cost. We also provide 24 hour security supervision.

**For more information or to apply go to [broadwayhouse.org](http://broadwayhouse.org) or call 973-268-9797 ext. 1010.** We look forward to hearing from you!

## Connect via

Advances in computer technology are improving home health care by leaps and bounds, making your loved ones happier. Video chatting affords residents the opportunity to see family and friends who live too far to visit. Search Broadway House for Continuing Care on Skype to submit a request to connect. For more information contact, Nestor Beard at [beardna@uhnj.org](mailto:beardna@uhnj.org).

## Make Your Year-End Donation Today!

If you received Broadway House's Year-End Appeal Letter, please respond with your generous donation. To make a donation without the letter, please email [beilmapa@uhnj.org](mailto:beilmapa@uhnj.org) and we'll process personally! Many thanks in advance.

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