

Awards and Honors

2010

Bishop Wicke Health Center

- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Debra Melillo

Crosby Commons



- The Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) awarded one of its highest honors, the *Best of the Best* award, for the Transitions in Care program
- The Connecticut Association of Directors of Volunteer Services in Healthcare (CADVSH) awarded Barbara Quinn, Wesley Village Director of Volunteers, its *Connecticut Award for Professional Excellence*
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded its *Staff Recruitment and Retention Award* for the Thank You Challenge Program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded its *Outstanding Resident Service Award* to receptionist Carolyn Monachelli and Maintenance Technician Chris Sonsini and an honorable mention to Kristin Ayers, R.N. of the Nursing Department
- Spirit of Planetree Award presented to Carolyn Monachelli

Middlewoods of Farmington



- The Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) awarded one of its highest honors, the "*Best of the Best*" award, for the Wellness Program
- The Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) awarded its *Champion for Seniors* award to Dietary Manager Debra Stenhouse
- The Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) *Hero Award* to Debra Morton, Dining Room Supervisor
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded *Humanitarian of The Year* to Linda Midwinter, Nurse
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded *Outstanding Resident Service Award* to Debra Morton, Dining Room Supervisor

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded *Best Practices in Managed Residential Services* for the Passport to Planetree program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Young Leader of the Year Award* presented to Julia Fanning, Activities Director

- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Young Leader of the Year Award* presented to Marissa Salvesen

United Methodist Homes

- The United Methodist Association (UMA) selected Rev. James Stinson as *Chaplain of the Year*

Wesley Heights

- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Zita Tothne, Finance Department

Wesley Village

- *Planetree Program Award* for Continuing Care for Wesley Village Transitions Program

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- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Jane Evans, LPN

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded the *Best Practice in Resident Care* for the Transitions in Care program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded the *Managed Residential Services* category for the New Resident Orientation program
- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Rex Lowe, Security

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- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Linda Midwinter, Nurse

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded the *Humanitarian of the Year* to Marjorie Walker, Housekeeping Department
- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Loretta Ward, Chef Manager

Wesley Heights

- *Planetree Spirit of Caring Award* presented to David Schiller, Transportation Department

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- *Florence Nightingale Nursing Excellence Award* presented to Evelyn Rupsis, RN
- *Planetree Spirit of Caring Award* presented to Debra Samorajczyk, RN, Director, Administrative Services

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awarded its *Outstanding Resident Service Award* to Debbie Holcomb, RN, and an honorable mention to Mary Ann Milano, Activities Director
- *Planetree Spirit of Caring Award* presented to Mary Ann Milano, Activities Director

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) presented the *Best Practice Award in Resident Care* for the Resident Retreat program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Award* presented to Ginny Brown, Activities Director
- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Ginny Brown, Activities Director
- *Planetree Program Award for Continuing Care* Resident Retreat program

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Humanitarian Award* presented to Nancy Bryant, Activities Director
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Award* to Mary Ramsdell, Certified Nurses Aide

Wesley Heights

- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Award* presented to Joselma Cousens, Receptionist
- *Planetree Spirit of Caring Award* presented to Ashley Hammil, Food Service Aide

United Methodist Homes

- Received *Company Partner of the Year* from The Workplace, Inc.

2007

Bishop Wicke

- *Florence Nightingale Award* presented to Faith Wajdowicz, RN
- *Spirit of Planetree Award* to Larry Johnson, CNA

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Resident Care* for the Healthy Habits program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Managed Residential Services* for the Journey of Dreams program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Award*, honorable mention presented to Artarene Thompson, Certified Nurses Aide, Amy Broadbent, RN and Mary Ann Griffiths, Cook Supervisor, Food Services
- *Florence Nightingale Award* presented to Amy Broadbent, RN
- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Mary Ann Griffiths, Chef Supervisor

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Award* presented to Carol Reed, CNA
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Award* presented to Jim Grey, Driver

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Young Leader of the Year Award* presented to Michael LaMere, Plant Operations Manager

Sharon Health Care Center

- State of Connecticut, Dept. of Social Services, Long-Term Care Ombudsman selected the Sharon Health Care Center resident and staff design for their *2008 Connecticut Residents' Rights Calendar*

Wesley Heights

- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Joan Kayser, Resident Services Coordinator

Wesley Village

- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Humanitarian Award* presented to Heidi Gil, Planetree Continuing Care Specialist and Executive Director of Wesley Village

2006

Bishop Wicke Health Center

- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Jordan Cohen, Housekeeping

Crosby Commons

- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Awards* presented to Mary Ellen Reilly, Chef Manager and Nellie Nicholas, CAN
- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Nellie Nicholas, CNA

Wesley Heights

- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Aimee Swain, Dietary

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Award* presented to Floretta Tinsley, CNA

2005

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Awards* presented to Karen Marganski, Certified Nursing Assistant

- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Awards* presented to the Crosby Commons Assisted Living Nursing Team made up of RNs, LPNs, and CNAs
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Managed Residential Services* given to Housekeeping for the Friendly Cleaning program

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Managed Residential Services* given to Marketing for the Welcome Committee program

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Managed Residential Services* given to Activities for the Cultural Diversity program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Outstanding Resident Service Award* presented to Nancy Torres, Dining Room Supervisor

United Methodist Homes 2005 Annual Report

- *Lampighter Award* from the New England Society for Health Care Communications
- *National Mature Media Award* from Mature Market Resource Center

Wesley Village

- *Corporate Excellence Community Award - Living Treasure (65+)* awarded to Wesley Village volunteer, Betty Wallis, by the Valley United Way
- *Planetree Spirit of Caring Award* awarded to United Methodist Homes' *Wesley Village Continuing Care Model* by the International Planetree Organization
- *Spirit of Planetree Award* to Irene Scheld, Social Worker

2004

Crosby Commons

- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) awards its *Staff Recruitment and Retention Best Practices Award* for the Hug-a-Housekeeper Week program

The Long Hill Company

- *SeniorCare Top Award* from National Publishing Association for Newsday inserts

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Managed Residential Services* given to the Resident Council

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Young Leader of the Year Award* presented to Kathy Braga, Director, Middlewoods of Newington

Wesley Village

- *Spirit of Planetree Award* presented to Ron Linebarger, Housekeeping

United Methodist Homes

- *Dove Award* from Association of Volunteer Administrators presented to Barbara Quinn, Director of Volunteer Services

2003

Bishop Wicke Health Center

- Connecticut Association of Not-for-Profit Providers for the Aging (CANPFA) *Best Practices Award in Recruiting & Retention* Innovations for the Fishing for Fun at Wesley Village program
- Connecticut Association of Not-for-Profit Providers for the Aging (CANPFA) *Best Practices Award in Program Innovations* for the Successful Dining program

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Staff Recruitment and Retention* for the Fishing for Fun at Wesley Village program

2002

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Staff Recruitment and Retention* for the Crosby Spirit Award program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Managed Residential Services – Dining* for the International Day program

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Special Recognition* for the September 11 program

2001

Wesley Village logo (by Tom Fowler, Inc.)

- Selected for global publication by LOGO 2001

2000

Crosby Commons

- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Excellence in Food Service* for the Host and Hostess program
- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Excellence in Resident Care* for the Sign Language program

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- The Connecticut Assisted Living Association (CALA) *Best Practices Award in Excellence in Activities* for the "Based on the life of . . ." intergenerational project