

Jenae Scholarship Award



Congratulations to Jenae Maley, our 2015 Scholarship recipient for outstanding leadership in the area of Life Enrichment for the elderly. Jenae logged over 80 hours on her Senior to Senior project. She matched Eisenhower High School National Honor Society students with senior adults living at *Avita Senior Living* for a semester of letter writing. In April, Kay Premer, NHS sponsor for EHS, accompanied Jenae and the students to *Avita Senior Living* to meet their senior friend at a special celebration event.

Jenae created this project as part of her Girl Scout Gold Award. Her Girl Scout Volunteer Project Mentor, Mary Jo Jurey, was very pleased with her level of leadership and the culminating event. To watch the high school seniors finally meet the seniors was such a blessing! What a joy to see the interaction and the smiles as they talked and played games together – games which Jenae had created for this special event.

“My goal in this project was to establish better communications between these two age groups and help them form relationships through the lost art of writing letters. ...” Jenae shared in our first interview. Her Project Mentor and I agree that she has done this beautifully.



Jenae’s efforts inspired *Koinonia Senior Care* to begin an annual scholarship awarded for one high school senior who brings community awareness and involvement to the social, spiritual and significance needs of the homebound senior, wherever they call home. Next year’s scholarship application will be on our website soon.





CAUGHT IN THE ACT OF KINDNESS!

We heard about a group of women who now meet for their Bible study and devoted time of prayer in the home of one of their homebound members so she can attend. What a blessing this has been to her and her family!

In what creative way could you involve a homebound senior in your Bible study and prayer group?!

Prayer for Mother's Day

God, be with Mom in a special way.
Give her Your blessings throughout the day.

The blessing of warmth in this month of May;
The blessing of sunshine on a cloudy day.

Whatever her struggle, whatever her strife
May she turn to You, the Giver of Life.

My life has been touched and molded in part
By the love and patience of Mom's pure heart.

Thank you for mother and her role as a wife.
She's leaving a legacy of a beautiful life!

Give her joy for today and hope for tomorrow;
A new pep in her step that drowns out sorrow.

And if, by chance, she's feeling some pain
O Great Physician, send it back from where it
came!

Please give her a portion of Heaven on Earth
To show her how much I think she is worth.

Amen

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