

# *At Home With Hope Landing*

*Charlotte's Premier Assisted Living Community*

## October 2019

Fall is here and the leaves on the trees are changing fast. This is one of the most beautiful times of the year and the start of the busiest time of the year. Can you believe it? In just a couple of weeks it begins; first it's the spooky Trick or Treaters, then we'll be thinking about all the blessings in our lives and how thankful we are; to finally enjoying the spirit of Christmas. Wow, we better start making plans today, so grab a cup of something warm and let's reflect on what's been going on and see what's coming up. We hope you enjoy this month's newsletter.

## Lunch with Friends

What is better than that? How about lunch at your favorite restaurant with the gang from Hope Landing & The Haven; and then running into some old friends. It was great to get out and enjoy the local cuisine; but the best part was getting to see old friends we hadn't seen in awhile. We had a large group (about 17 of us) and it was so much fun, we decided we're going to do it more often.



## Our Deepest Condolences

We are all saddened by the loss of two dear sweet ladies at Hope Landing. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of Katie Archer and Jane Weaver. They will be dearly missed. Till we meet again ladies, rest in peace.







## Checking in at The Haven

The folks at The Haven have been busy enjoying lots of activities, including music, puppy visits, mid-afternoon movies; hanging out with friends, getting their nails done and making some super cute Halloween crafts.



And best of all -  
spending time with  
the little ones!!!

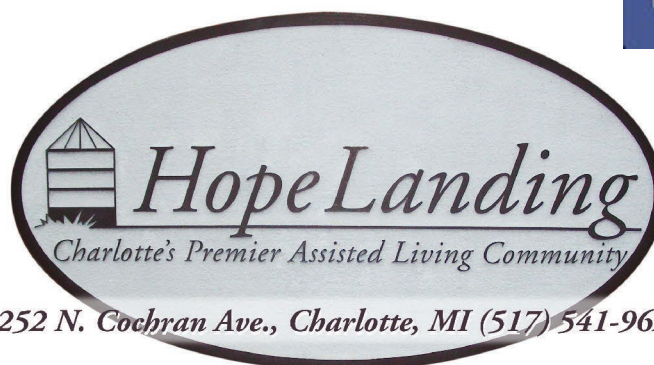
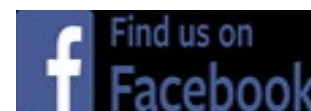


## Halloween

What do you like most about Halloween? Is it the creepy decorations, the spooky, eerie sounds or maybe it's the candy? Well, here at Hope Landing and The Haven we think the best part about Halloween is seeing all the children dressed in their cute little costumes and having a good time. Everyone looks forward to the children coming and our facilities provides a warm, friendly and safe place for children to enjoy Trick or Treating. So, let your families know that we are open for Trick or Treating, October 31 from 6-7:30pm and be sure to check our Facebook page for pictures of all the fun we will be having.



Looking back at some  
of the fun we have  
had on Halloween!



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## “Giving Hope”

### Adopt a Family Project

I can't believe I am going to talk about Christmas in October. I am one of those people scolding the stores for having Christmas decorations out before Halloween. But this is so important to us here at Hope Landing and The Haven; and it takes a lot of work to pull it all together, so we need to talk about it.

If you were here last year or the year before, then you are familiar with the “Giving Hope” Christmas Adopt a Family program and that's all you know. But let me go back a little farther so you know how we got to where we are now.

It used to be we would do a “Secret Santa” event where the residents would draw names and then buy a gift for that person. We would then have a Christmas party and exchange gifts. Well, it was not an easy task for many to decide on a gift and then go shopping. And of course, they would tell you that they really didn't need anything if you tried to get ideas from them. This got one of us thinking about doing something different, something to help others, so we approached the residents with the idea of helping a local family in need instead. They loved the idea, because of course, helping others is what we are supposed to do. So, we partnered with the Housing Services of Mid-Michigan right here in town and for the past 2 years we have helped 6 families (a total of 21 individuals) have a very Merry Christmas. Not only did each member of those families get some things they really needed and something special that they really wanted; they also received food for a Christmas meal.

And with the residents rallying behind us, we are happy to announce that we will be continuing this tradition in 2019.

So, how do we celebrate the holiday at Hope Landing and The Haven? We still have a party; Santa, his elf and a “Secret: guest still come to visit and sing Christmas songs with us. We indulge in some sweet treats, maybe play a game, enjoy each other's company and on Christmas morning everyone gets a “surprise” from Santa.

If you and your family are interested in making a donation to the “Giving Hope” Adopt a Family project, you can donate cash or write a check to Hope Landing. Please note in the memo line that it is for the “Adopt a Family” project and turn your check into the office by November 30. We will keep you updated through our Facebook page on the progress and how many families we are adopting this year.

### Staff Appreciation

The staff have outdid themselves again. They came up with this great idea to welcome new members to the “team/family”. Each new member is given a fully prepared meal along with a handwritten card, making them feel at home here. What a great bunch of people to work for and with!



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