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St. Joseph Manor –Not Your Traditional Nursing Home

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Highlights of the itinerary: Bingo, live entertainment, outdoor picnics, card games, Luau, Red Hat Luncheon and more! Sounds like an itinerary on an all inclusive vacation... but its not. This is everyday life at St. Joseph Manor.

“Stereotypically, people think of nursing homes for the sick and elderly, where they live out their final days. Here at St. Joseph Manor, people come here to live their lives,” stated Diana Caperello, Director of Recreational Activities.

St. Joseph Manor has been providing services to the community for over 45 years. The Manor is located on several beautiful wooded acres nestled in the city of Brockton. The Manor is a warm and welcoming home that encourages residents to decorate their rooms, host their family members any time they wish and even visit with their pets.

St. Joseph Manor is thriving as a 118-bed nursing home that not only provides custodial long-term “nursing home” care, but short –term rehabilitation/skilled care including: Physical, Speech and Occupational therapies, Pain Management, Wound and Hospice care. In addition, the Manor provides respite care for those with 24-hour responsibility of a loved one who are looking to take a summer vacation or need to travel out of town. St. Joseph Manor is unique in that it is only one of four certified Eden Alternative Homes in the state of Massachusetts. The Eden Alternative is a program dedicated to supporting others in the creation of communities which eliminate the plagues of Loneliness, Helplessness, and Boredom.

Also included on campus is the Mater Dei Adult Day Health Program that provides services for up to 60 clients per day. The program offers support and relief to caregivers who have 24-hour responsibility of a loved one. “It’s a wonderful home away from home for our clients. They come to enjoy the social aspect while their medical needs are addressed by our licensed staff. There is truly a sense of family amongst our clients and staff,” stated Louise Gallagher, Director of the Mater Dei Adult Day Health Program.

Last summer, Manor residents enjoyed a day of sunshine, fishing, exploration, camaraderie and more at The Bridge Center (formerly known as Handi Kids camp) in Bridgewater. Last year, the Manor started offering manicure and pedicure services to their residents. Services include: manicures, polish changes, full pedicures and express pedicures.

St. Joseph Manor has provided high quality care with respect and dignity for each person regardless of their faith and traditions.

St. Joseph Manor is a non-profit nursing home and skilled care facility with 118 beds. A majority of the resident rooms at St. Joseph Manor are private. Also available is our Mater Dei Adult Day Health Program with a 60 client a day capability.

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St. Joseph Manor resident, Rita Harrington, originally from Randolph, is dressed and ready to go for the monthly Red Hat Luncheon.