

Local care facility recognized as Business of the Month



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The Fountains IV

Director David Porter poses in the front lobby of The Fountains IV Independent and Assisted Living Community on Airport Road in Godfrey. The facility was recognized as the River Bend Growth Association's Business of the Month for October.

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GODFREY – Pouring a steady stream of care and compassion onto the community, The Fountains IV Independent and Assisted Living Residence has been recognized as the River Bend Growth Association's Business of the Month for October.

"I can say that this was a big surprise," marketing director David Porter said. "It is certainly an honor and we couldn't be happier."

The Fountains IV, 1000 Airport Road, opened seven years ago with the goal of providing the utmost care for its residents. Among the amenities, attractive landscaping, 24-hour security, laundry and housekeeping services, cable television, fitness center, screened-in porch, and a beauty and barber shop ensure a stimulating environment.

"Our residents always come first here," Porter said. "We work hard to create a welcoming and positive space. I lost my grandparents years ago, and being here, I feel like I have gained about 30 new grandmas."

"The residents and their families become part of our family," The Fountains IV application stated. "No one cries alone when a loved one is ill or passes away; it affects all of us. Our goals are to just keep finding ways to improve our residents' quality of life and always be there when they need us."

"The greatest challenge is getting someone to give us the chance to take care of our loved one. The easy part is proving our dedication, love, care and concern for the people that call The Fountains IV 'home.' Senior living in the River Bend area is a tough market as there are several to choose from. All of the senior living communities try to help each other out when the needs arise."

For residents who rely on the company of four-legged loved ones, pets are welcomed at the facility, and everything is located on the ground floor, eliminating the need for stairs or elevators.

Upcoming events include Thanksgiving dinner and Christmas party, where families can celebrate with loved ones and become acquainted with other residents. Later this month, The Fountains welcomes younger visitors during the annual Trick or Treat celebration, where residents pass out candy and goodies from the front foyer area.

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