# the Best Care for Mom Et Dad



## Variety of activities bring laughter

It is important to provide a variety of activities to meet the interests of our residents. Everyone at Long Term Care has a part in planning those events. Sam Prokopec, Administrator, and Stephanie Myrberg, Director of Nursing, recently hosted a Beer Tasting and Beer Facts event. Residents visited and laughed while sampling some seasonal ales and lagers.

### Tips for Communicating with Alzheimer's Elders

Communicating with elders who have Alzheimer's disease can be difficult at times. Here are a few tips to help improve communication.

- Use a gentle and relaxed tone of voice. Try to use friendly facial expressions as well.
- Choose simple words and short sentences.
- Allow time for a response. Let them finish what they are saying, trying not to interrupt.
- Reduce background noise.

  Turning off the radio or TV can be helpful and less distracting.
- Be patient. Encourage your elder to continue expressing their thoughts, even though it may be difficult. Avoid criticizing, correcting and arguing.

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Resident Rosemary Larson (left) with Beth Morales

# Making The Difference.

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#### **BETH MORALES**

HOME TOWN Ithaca, NE

HOW LONG Have YOU WORKED AT SMC?
I have been working at SMC for 5 years and recently became an LPN.

Tell US about your family. I am married. I have 3 daughters, 2 stepdaughters, 1 stepson, 6 granddaughters, and 2 grandsons.

WHAT IS THE BEST PAIT OF YOUR JOB? I love seeing the residents smile. I also love knowing that I am helping someone else's day be a little bit better.

WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE TO ACCOMPLISH?

I would like to get my RN or Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN).

WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOWS? FAV. VACATION SPOT? I love watching 911, Chicago Med, and Chicago Fire. I like the action of those shows. I love going to Mexico.

TELL US SOMETHING ABOUT YOU THAT NOT EVERYONE MAY KNOW. I am the 3rd youngest of 13 siblings.

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