

Our Roots Run Deep IN OUR COMMUNITY

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A word from your **ADMINISTRATOR** 

Hello December!!

It is the MOST wonderful time of the year!

The Christmas season is here, and the festivities have begun. Sparkling lights, cozy weather, and beautifully decorated trees all around means it's time to be MERRY. I hope this Christmas inspires your childlike wonder of the season as we come together to celebrate.

Speaking of celebrating, Mela has been working on a lot of fun holiday activities. We will be starting off with some Christmas songs with Lauren. There will be a tree of life event on the 7th to remember our loved ones who have passed on. Our Christmas party will be held on the 21st, with the Boho Cowboy, so bring out those dancing shoes and get ready to celebrate and have a fun day. Get your presents ready for a gift exchange on the 22nd, and so much more! Be sure to mark your calendar for all these fun events.

Again, I would like to thank each of you for being a part of our Grand Oaks family. May all that is beautiful and meaningful bring you and yours joy this holiday season and throughout the coming year!

Merry Christmas!!

Lisa Zaccaria

Lisa Zaccaria. Administrator





## CILANTRO SHRIMP **SKEWERS**



Skewered Shrimp, Broiled to order and basted with a Cilantro Lime Butter and served over Buttered Orzo Pasta

## Нарру BIRTHDAY!!!



Margaret D.









# Employee Y SPOTLIGHT

### HAILEY DOANE



Hailey was born on the 11th of February, 1992 in Frederick, Maryland. She has one older brother and one younger sister. She had a sister that was diagnosed with Rett syndrome. Hailey helped her mom to care for her. She explained that Rett syndrome is a rare, genetic mutation affecting brain development in females. Her sister passed away on October 9th, 2011. She was only sixteen years old.

Hailey attended Wayne County high school in Monticello, KY and graduated in 2010. After graduating, she started her first job at Adanta in Somerset, KY where she took care of adults with special needs for three years. She also worked for Independent Opportunities and she is proud to

say she worked with them as a direct care staff for thirteen years.

The happiest moment in Hailey's life was giving birth to her son, Draxton Miles. She says he was her saving grace.

On March 31st, 2023, Hailey moved to Okeechobee to be with her family. She enjoys spending time with her son and family. They get together and play games. She says they are all very competitive, so it gets very interesting.

Hailey has been working at Grand Oaks since June 1st of 2023, and it has become a big part of her life. She said, "I love working here at Grand Oaks because it's something I always enjoy doing. The residents are my second family and I enjoy listening to their stories."





















