

Cook Caregiver OF THE MONTH

April's honorary Cook Caregiver of the Month is...

Riki Hibma

Even though the residents of Byron Center Manor-Meadow Place face daily challenges, they look forward to those who reach out and care for them. Activities Director, Riki Hibma, is one of those special caregivers. She coordinates daily activities, exercises and games. Riki feels she is doing something good for others by involving them in activities that may bring a sense of pleasure as well as interaction with others. Her aim is to be a source of comfort and encouragement for the patients and their family members.

At times one would think the residents do not know or remember a caregiver. Riki was especially moved one day when a resident said, "I didn't think you were here today. I didn't see your car in the usual parking spot." The thought that this dear person had actually peered out the window to see if her car was there was a very revealing moment. It validated that Riki was needed. To her, being able to help and love these people as well as see a smile or hear an occasional laugh . . . this is a priceless reward.

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