

# Cordell Christian Home's Resident's Digest

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Last week was the Cordell Christian Home's 1<sup>st</sup> annual St. Patrick's Day party and it was magical! There was Irish food, green desserts, leprechauns frolicking about, and Irish music filling air. It was a party that our Irish ancestors would be very proud of!

The St. Patrick's Day festivities started at lunch when the kitchen staff made an authentic Irish lunch. Residents and staff ate corned beef, fried cabbage, and garlic bread for the main course and green sherbet for desert. Everything was cooked perfectly and everyone was screaming for seconds! When our lunch settled residents and staff went back into the kitchen to have some green poke cake with whipped cream topping and lime green punch. Residents ate on plates decorated with shamrocks along with green napkins and green cups.

Residents also looked festive at the party with their green beads, leprechaun hats, magical green wands, and sequined green bowties. They enjoyed joining in on Irish trivia and loved listening to our activity aids speak in Irish jargon. Some residents who attended the St. Patrick's Day party were Betty Arter, Alice Bartlett, Betty Brooks, Hilda Champion, Dorothy Cooper, Dorothy Davis, Margaret Frank, Shanna Goree, Gussie Gregg, Frieda Hines, Nannie Hines, Walt Hines, Leona Maupin, Maria Medrano, Jr. Murphy, Dorothy Reed, Bertha Richmond, Norma Stewart, Rena Wallis, Annette Westreicher, and Judith Winn.

Three of our most festive dressers on St. Patrick's Day were activity aids Marjie Ediger, Lola Parker, and Rita Beach. Marjie and Rita were both wearing green leprechaun hats, shoes and ties, and spoke in an Irish twang. We were all stunned when Lola Parker walked into work with her green hair, green shirt and pants, and green leprechaun shoes but it made everyone smile! The CCH staff did a wonderful job at being festive and having a great sense of humor! They made the day very amusing!

The St. Patrick's Day party went wonderfully, especially for being the very first one ever! Everyone had a great time dressing up and eating new food! We had so much fun in fact that we are all looking forward to celebrating again next year! The Irish truly blessed us with their memories of gold and magic on St. Patrick's Day and we thank every single leprechaun, staff member, and resident who made the day possible!