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LYNDALE EDMOND SENIOR LIVING

Residents Enjoy Education and Entertainment with Speaker Debbie Compton of The Purple Vine

AT A GLANCE

Lyndale Edmond Senior Living's Challenge

- Provide informative and fun presentations
- Support residents' understanding of aging issues

Solution

- Speaker Debbie Compton provides engagement and connection in presentations

Results

- Residents get honest answers to common aging questions
- Learning during enjoyable fellowship with Debbie and other residents



Debbie Compton
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When Michelle Robbins took on the role of Lifestyle Director at Lyndale Edmond Senior Living in 2022, she already had years of experience in residential care. Not only had she worked as Activities Director in a nursing home, her father was also a resident in that home.

Providing care for seniors is not only her job, it's personal. She knows exactly how crucial it is to keep aging adults involved, stimulated and happy.

Michelle had already gotten to know Debbie Compton while in her previous job. In fact, Debbie's mom had also been a resident at that home.

"Debbie's mom and my dad became girlfriend and boyfriend there. They were so cute!" Michelle remembers.

So Michelle already knew Debbie was a caring, loving, and very knowledgeable person who knew exactly how to connect and communicate with older people.

“Debbie was always willing to jump in and help with anything going on, like serving refreshments or with activities.”

Having seen Debbie in action as a family caregiver, and knowing her work with the Alzheimer’s Association, Michelle arranged to have her come and speak to Independent Living Residents at Lyndale Edmond Senior Living.

Debbie’s latest presentation was centered around “Dementia vs Aging” and Michelle notes that the residents all appreciated the down-to-earth and candid way Debbie addressed their questions and concerns.

She says the residents love having her come talk with them. Not only do they learn from her expertise, but they have fun and enjoy her stories and jokes, which she has plenty of.

Michelle enjoys hearing the laughter and sounds of fun coming from the residents during Debbie’s presentations as she goes about her other responsibilities in the center.



Michelle also appreciates that Debbie immediately connects with all the residents who come to hear her speak.

Michelle says:

“Debbie is so sweet, kind, and patient. Her talks are always interactive and everyone is very interested. All eyes are on Debbie the whole time!”

“As soon as she’s finished, the residents immediately want to know when she’s coming back.”

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