

## Beyond the Walls

Is caring for our residents confined to the four walls of each building we operate?  
Not on your life!

That was dramatically proven by Jeff Crane, maintenance director for Life Care Center of St. Louis.

“We had a long-term care resident who decided to try living on his own, and wanted to go to an assisted living facility,” said Tanya Smith in Admissions. “He was really excited to find out that an apartment had been found for him, but at the same time, he was saddened and a little nervous about leaving his familiar grounds.

“Jeff took the resident shopping to get all the necessities and all the other things that he wanted,” Smith said. “Jeff spent a lot of time with the resident, helping him to make sure that he was getting all the things that he needed to be comfortable at his new apartment. The resident had been at our facility for over three years and it was a little difficult for him to just leave, so to try to make the transition from Life Care Center of St. Louis to the apartment smooth, Jeff volunteered to spend the first night with the resident in his apartment.”

And that, dear friends, is a demonstration of Whatever It Takes And Then Some.

--Beecher Hunter