

Unnoticed Flowers

Once, a wise old botany teacher was speaking to a group of young and eager students.

He gave them an assignment to go out by the side of some lonely road and find a small, unnoticed flower. He asked them to study the flower for a long time.

“Get a magnifying glass and study the delicate veins in the leaves, and notice the nuances and shades of color,” the teacher told his students. “Turn the leaf slowly and observe its symmetry. And remember: this flower might have gone unnoticed and unappreciated if you had not found and admired it.”

When the class returned after carrying out the assignment, the wise old teacher observed: “People are just like that unnoticed flower, too. Each one is different, carefully crafted, uniquely endowed. But you have to spend time with a person to realize this.

“So many people go unnoticed and unappreciated because no one has ever taken time with them and admired their uniqueness,” the teacher declared.

Associates in Life Care, Century Park and Life Care at Home have the opportunity every day to notice and appreciate those they serve. Our residents are special, indeed, and they are storehouses of wisdom and life experiences, available to be shared.



But don't forget, either: Those with whom we work need our recognition and appreciation. Each is unique and brings certain gifts to the team that makes us all succeed.

– Beecher Hunter