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JAQUITH NURSING HOME PARTICIPATES IN MEMORY WALK

WHITFIELD—A team from Jaquith Nursing Home was among the dozens who participated in the Mississippi Alzheimer's Association 2009 Memory Walk on Saturday, October 10. The nation's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer care, support and research, the Memory Walk has raised more than \$260 million since 1989.

Eleven team members from Jaquith Nursing Home, located on the grounds of Mississippi State Hospital, were at Trustmark Park Saturday for the Jackson, Miss. Memory Walk. The team raised \$1,235 through its fundraising efforts. In total, \$35,955 were raised through this year's local walk.

"I am so proud we had so many people show up and support such a great event," said JNH Recreational Services Director Holly Haralson. "The Alzheimer's Association certainly deserves the money that was raised for them. We just hope we were able to help their cause."

Pictured are team members (front row, l to r) Paula Eure, Holly Haralson, Patra Askew, (second row, l to r) Kathy VanCleave, John Askew, Carol Winstead, (back row, l to r) Susan Hermes, Chantel Lott, Steve McDonald, and Marc Lewis, director of Jaquith Nursing Home. Not pictured is MSH Chaplain Gary Strehlow.

MSH, a facility of the Mississippi Department of Mental Health, was founded in 1855 and facilitates improvement in the quality of life for Mississippians who are in need of mental health, chemical dependency or nursing home services, by rehabilitating to the least restrictive environment, utilizing a range of psychiatric and medical services, which reflect the accepted standard of care and are in compliance with statutory and regulatory guidelines. Accredited by the Joint Commission, MSH is the largest hospital in Mississippi and the largest public psychiatric facility in the United States.

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