

"A joyful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones."

Proverbs 17: 22



CHILD'S PLAY



"GROWING UP IS HIGHLY OVERRATED!"

Activity: Squirt Gun Fun

Supplies Needed:

**** Cheap plastic squirt guns for each resident, plus two for activity directors.**

**** Plastic containers filled with water for loading toy guns. (Place to side on table.)**

Directions: On a warm sunny day, wheel the residents to an outside patio and form a semi-circle in front of the door. Using your cell phone, call a **"friendly"** staff member to visit the group. When the individual joins the waiting residents, the activity director calls out, "Ready! Aim! Fire!" (Staff members called at this facility were: Administrator, Head of Nursing, Therapy members, nurses aids)

Goal: Just because the residents are considered to be in the winter season of life does not mean the child inside ceases to exist. It is critical for the activity director, assistant activity director, and volunteers to be engaged. The residents will follow their example. In the photographs included in this activity, please note how crazy-funny the activity directors are acting. It will give a signal to the residents to be free and interact. If this is done, the air around will be filled with gurgling laughter and noise!

Keith, the administrator is

invited first!

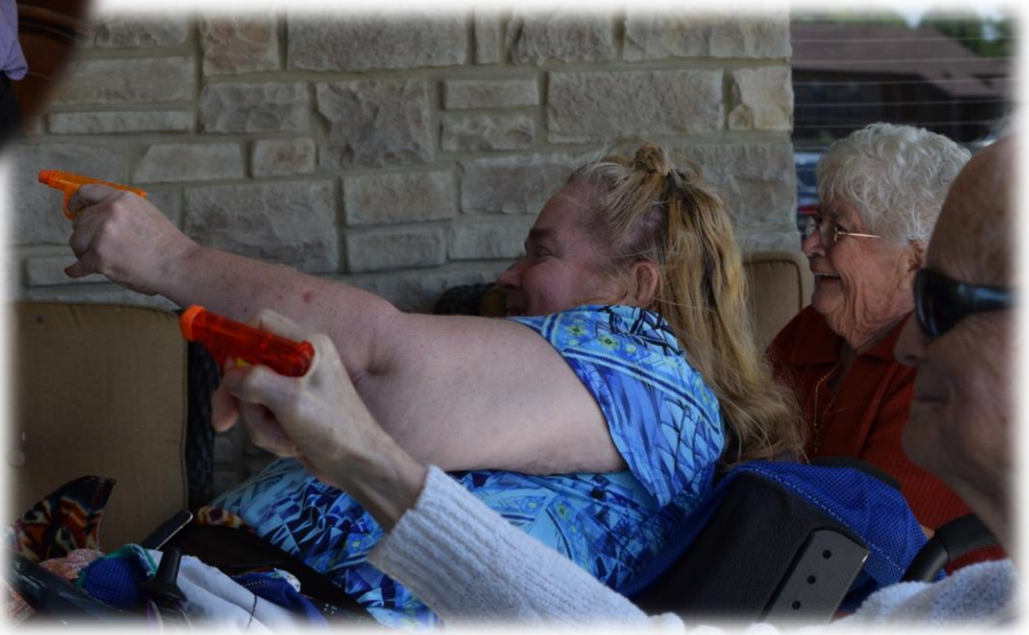
"READY? AIM! FIRE!" Said the Activity

Director dressed in blue.





"GOTCHA!"



*HEAD OF
NURSING
IS NEXT!*

**Garry gets right into it! Don't let Shirley fool you.
She just looks innocent!**



“MOM, HE STARTED IT!”



Folks, this is engagement! Activity Director Tim immediately came out firing! Look at the reaction of the residents! Although Assistant Activity Director Melody, dressed in orange, is holding her little green gun at her hip, she has been a part of the entire scene.



VICTIM AFTER VICTIM!

So many victims, it was time to reload!



Look! The outlaw is on his cell phone calling the next victim as another is getting drenched! Who will stop him?



**Busted!
Sandra
had the
last say!
It's over!**

