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Across

- 1 Significant generation
- 6 MetLife has discontinued sale of this type of insurance
- 8 One of the most highly valued characteristics in nursing home staff
- 9 Cooking preferences
- 12 Genuine
- 13 Friendly alien in film
- 14 Effortless
- 17 Model often used by state surveyors of nursing home facilities, abbr.
- 18 Symbol for silver
- 19 19th century expression of surprise
- 21 Stay in bed perhaps
- 23 Key quality that families expect for their residents
- 27 BBQ item
- 29 Pounds of laundry an employee can process in one hour (2 words)
- 32 Roman 6
- 33 Parking facility
- 34 Parsimony, a trait of some seniors (2 words)
- 37 Giant conglomerate which started in electricity
- 38 Also
- 39 Disarray

Down

- 1 Explain things simply (2 words)
- 2 Shrek, and others
- 3 Medical TV show
- 4 Cozy
- 5 Organization offering the Idea House as a think tank for senior living
- 6 It may be a necessary financial assistance package for seniors (3 words)
- 7 The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, abbr.
- 9 Good closet wood
- 10 Third in line in a family
- 11 And more
- 15 Mellow
- 16 Still
- 20 Many seniors do this in their attitude to life (and their age doesn't seem to matter) (2 words)
- 22 IRAs, CDs etc.
- 24 King's son
- 25 Musical scale note
- 26 Exclusively
- 28 Popular game for seniors
- 30 Holiday lead-in
- 31 Best
- 34 Cushion
- 35 Recent
- 36 Go to sleep, with off

A bonding experience

Founded as a nonprofit by Shannon Brewer in Texarkana, Texas, PAL/Players and Listeners bridges the generation gap by bringing the talents of high school musicians, actors,

and dancers to seniors in area long-term care facilities. Stage production, audio/video, and journalism support staff also contribute to the fulfillment of PAL's mission—delivering culture to seniors and providing instruments

and lessons to disadvantaged students.

PAL's people and performances let seniors know that they are not forgotten. To learn more about this organization, see the group in action, and learn how you can participate, visit www.playersandlisteners.org.





Hot Item

It might be February, but don't think that just because spring is on the way, you or your residents have dodged the influenza bullet. Courtesy of the New Jersey Hospital Association, a complimentary guide, "Planning Today for a Pandemic Tomorrow: A Toolkit for Nursing Facilities," provides nursing homes with a detailed assessment

and toolkit, complete with checklists, sample policies and forms, and Web links. A downloadable copy of the guide is available at www.ltlmagazine.com/FluPandemicToolkit.

Quotable "MDS 3.0 is a living document. It will change." —Ann Spenard

Director, Business Development, Qualidigm, Rocky Hill, Connecticut, speaking at AAHSA's fall conference.

