

Linking Hearts & Hands at the Wayne County Nursing Home & Rehab center

Children from the Kelly School's fourth and fifth grade brought many smiles & hugs to the residents of the Wayne County Nursing Home & Rehab Center on Saturday April 26th 2008 through a program called Linking Hearts & Hands ,which is coordinated by Nadine Brill.

Saturday was such a treat for the residents and students. They read stories from their favorite books and shared their favorite teddy bears, their collections and played board games with the elderly. The program was set up that each child had a one on one time with a nursing home resident. The parents & staff that were involved with the program could not get over the interaction that went on between the senior person and the youngster. No one wanted the program to end. It took place in the dining room as it got closer to lunch time and the children had to leave one of the residents," stated he did not want to have the children leave and he would go with out his lunch if they could stay longer. It was such a moving time between both the resident and the children that actually both generations had tears in their eyes at the conclusion. Many of the children made friends with the residents and made dates to come back fro a visit again.

