



SPOTLIGHT ON OUR EMPLOYEES: Jim Fordham

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You may have noticed Elvis is sometimes here for Halloween. Hopefully you guessed that it was actually Jim Fordham, one of our Housemen. He has the moves down, but doesn't attempt the songs. He has also appeared as Superman. Spiderman is available, but has yet to appear at Canterbury Woods. He also comes to the Housekeeping Holiday Party looking like the "man in the red suit".

Jim's position involves working with Rani Marquez and Mel Ilagan, except Wednesday and Thursday, his days off. He delivers papers and reports any "crickets" which are still up on weekends, cleans up the closets (garbage and recycling), mops up in Medical, picks up garbage and litter, collects the dirty laundry from the Housekeepers and does special projects for Frank O'Dowd, such as cleaning the tile grout. He has been working here for five and a half years, initially as a Server. Prior to Canterbury Woods, Jim worked in the Mailroom at The Herald for twenty-three years, until internal mail became obsolete and the mailroom was eliminated. His responsibilities at the Herald included clipping certain businesses' advertisements, delivering them to clients in person, discussing changes and relaying these back to the advertising department at the paper for revisions.

Born, raised and current Monterey resident, Jim lives with his Mother, who is in a wheelchair and a dachshund named Boodle's (which was his Dad's favorite gin). He shares responsibility for his Mom's care with his sister. Jim has three nephews, one is studying physics in Los Angeles, another is a student at Monterey Peninsula College and the third is a tile installer in Monterey.

When he has the time, Jim likes to play golf and miniature golf. For vacation, he enjoys going to Santa Fe to visit relatives.

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