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### **Lifelong Volunteer Continues to Give Back**

*Nursing home resident doesn't let disease deter efforts to give back*

EAU CLAIRE – Cheryl Andre has been a resident at Dove Healthcare-West, 1405 Truax Blvd, for the past ten years due to Multiple Sclerosis. However, she hasn't let her circumstances deter or slow her down from doing what she loves most. For more than 40 years, Cheryl has volunteered for a number of causes, including past work with the Community Clothesline in Rochester and a PBS auction fundraiser in St Paul.

Cheryl said, "I never had extra money to give, so I gave of myself through volunteer work. Even today, I still find ways I can give to others." She enjoyed calling bingo for several years for the residents at Dove Healthcare-West and today, continues to lend a helping hand with various recreation projects.

Upon learning about Locks of Love, an organization that makes wigs for those with medical conditions that have caused them to lose their hair, Cheryl set her mind and heart on growing her hair. Thin and falling out at the time, she started taking a special daily vitamin and much to her surprise, her hair started to grow. Cheryl's goal of giving her hair to help someone in need became a reality in late August. With the help of beautician Tami Suvada, Cheryl had 10 inches of her hair cut off in the salon located at Dove Healthcare-West.

"I will be 69 next month and I still don't have grey hair! By giving to Locks of Love, I know I am still giving of myself to others," said Cheryl.



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