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Operation ABLE winners

Operation ABLE of Michigan, an affiliated of Spectrum Human Services, Inc., has announced the winners of its Ability Is Ageless Awards for 2011 naming Presbyterian Villages of Michigan as 2011 Employer of the Year Award.

The honor is given to an organization that both demonstrates through hiring, promotion and recognition that they understand the value of mature employees and through their products and services contribute to the well-being of older adults.

Presbyterian Villages of Michigan (PVM) has a solid reputation for hiring practices that include people 50 and older. Evidence of that was shown by the 12 individuals who were honored at the luncheon as a result of nominations from their employers.

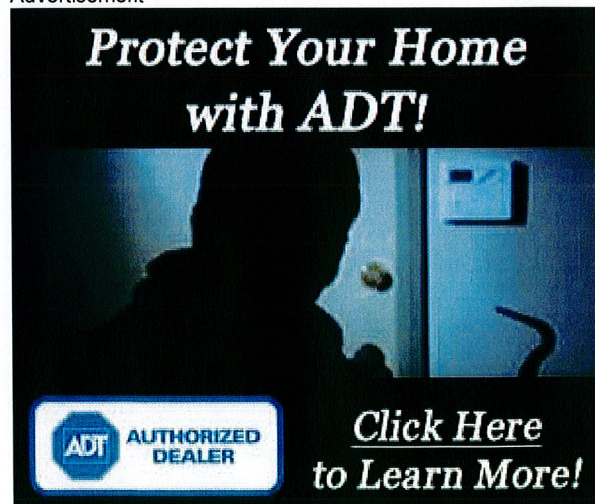
PVM is a leader in offering an array of high quality home-like residential options for seniors of all income levels and with diverse care requirements. They provide housing for 3,500 older adults on 24 campuses throughout Michigan, including the Village of Westland. One of their newest projects involves working with Henry Ford Health System and other community organizations to provide [support services](#) that will help people remain in their own

homes.

Additionally, two PVM employees were selected for the highly competitive Most ABLE Awards. Employers throughout the region nominated 108 individuals for Ability Is Ageless Awards, 98 received Distinguished Service awards for their strong work ethic, the contribution of their skills at work, their role modeling and mentoring for younger colleagues, overcoming barriers, and their involvement in their communities.

Among the 10 winners for Most ABLE Awards were Carrie Moon-Dupree of Canton, 61, Vice-president of risk management and quality, Presbyterian Villages of Michigan, and Cheryl Sonnenberg of New Baltimore, 53, wellness supervisor/volunteer coordinator at PVM's Village of East Harbor.

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