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Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White, left, recently visited the Claremont Rehab and Living Center in Buffalo Grove as part of a series of programs called "Lifting the Human Spirit by Visiting the Sick." Rabbi James Gordon, the Claremont's director of pastoral services, created the program, which trains local youths ages 10-17 to visit nursing home patients. Here White visits with youth volunteers Rita Gordon, left, and Ronit Miller, right, and Claremont resident Carolyn Ripes.