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THE OFFICIAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF NORSELAND NURSING HOME





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Employee Highlights:

WORK ANNIVERSARIES:

-Tina Myhre, RN: 7 yrs.
-Jenna Lutz, CNA: 2 yrs.
-Jo Olson, CNA: 1 yr.
-Angealic Kaye, CTRS: 4 yrs.
-Peggy Stellner, Laundry Aide: 16 yrs.

NEW EMPLOYEES:

-Hunter Roberts: RN -Malachi Crick: Dietary Aide

Announcements

COVID-19/INFLUENZA UPDATE:

We currently don't have any new updates regarding COVID-19/Influenza. We continue to monitor Vernon County's COVID-19 transmission rate and require masks when the county is listed as "high." If you have any questions or concerns regarding COVID-19/Influenza please feel free to ask.

> -Megan McLean, Administrator



ANNOUNCEMENT: WE'RE HIRING!

Are you, a loved one, or a friend looking for a new employment opportunity? Please check our website for an up-to-date listing of available positions:

https://www.bsjcorp.com/employment/

Please feel free to call us with any additional questions regarding employment opportunities @ 608-634-3747

-Crystal Brown, BUU Business Administrative Assistant

Special Events





We are excited for warmer weather to (hopefully) be approaching soon! Residents will be starting an assortment of seeds (tomatoes, peppers, basil, cilantro, marigolds, zinnias, snapdragons, petunias, sunflowers, etc.) We will be starting our seeds midlate March. We can't wait to watch our seedlings grow!

St. Patrick's Day Party

We will be hosting our St. Patrick's Day party on Friday, March 17th @ 2:00 PM. We will be serving themed treats, green beer, and playing St. Patrick's Day Bingo. Throughout the month of March we'll be offering themed programming including: Shamrock Shakes, St. Patrick's Day crafts, trivia, word games, etc! What a festive way to celebrate!

First Nay of Spring

Spring is on the way! Residents will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of Spring themed programming on Monday, March 20th in honor of the first day of spring. One of our themed programs will consist of painting mosaic stepping stones that will be added as decorations to our garden! How fun!



Reuben Sandwich Special Meal

Corned beef, Swiss cheese, sauerkraut, and thousand island dressing all piled on top of rye bread! YUMMY! We will be serving our Reuben Special Meal on Wednesday, March 15th for lunch. Residents periodically have the opportunity to participate in special meals/order ins through our Recreation Therapy Dept. If your loved one is interested, be sure to sign up with Ange or Julia in Rec Therapy!





Community Engagement



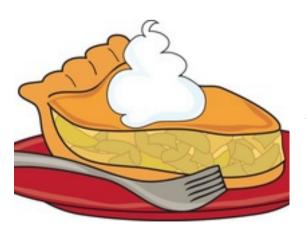
Grizzly, Therapy Dog

Grizzly is our newest Pet Therapy Visitor that will be visiting with his handler Hana 1x monthly. Hana works at the Driftless Humane Society as the shelter manager. Grizzly is a Bernese Mountain Dog and is a gentle giant that loves to be pet. He will be visiting the 4th Thursday of every month at 11:00am. Thank you Grizzly and Hana!



Driftless Humane Society

National Puppy Day is March 23rd. We will be celebrating with Driftless Humane Society who will be bringing in puppies or large puppies (adult dogs) that are currently staying at Driftless Humane Society pending adoption. Come visit your loved one and some furry furrr-ends on 3/23 at 11:00am. Thank you Driftless Humane Society!



Norseland Auxiliary Pie & Ice Cream Social

For the first time since we had to close our doors due to COVID-19, the Norseland Auxiliary will be hosting its annual Pie & Ice Cream Social fundraiser on Saturday, March 25th from 2-4:00 PM in the Westby Community Center (Bekkum Memorial Library basement). We are so appreciative of our Norseland Auxiliary and their continued support of Norseland Nursing Home. Be sure to stop on out, enjoy a piece of pie, and support a great local organization!

Special Thanks to our Donors



Hydroponic System

We are excited to announce that a hydroponic system will be set up in the Recreation Room where residents can watch a variety of vegetables and herbs grow. Produce cultivated from the hydroponic system will be utilized in various recreational programming in cooking/baking groups. This hydroponic system was made possible by a monetary gift provided by Grant & Carrie Leum. Thank you Grant & Carrie!



In Memory of LouAnn Engh

Thank you Mike & Mary Lium and Betty Barstad for your monetary gift in memory of LouAnn Engh. These monetary gifts allow us to continue offering unique and engaging experiences for our residents to enjoy. Thank you for choosing to share your generosity with Norseland!



Coulee Quilters

Thank you to the Coulee Quilters who continue to donate their time, talent, and materials to create BEAUTIFUL bed sized quilts for our residents. Being able to provide our residents with a homemade quilt upon being admitted to our facility helps us to create "more at home" while they stay with us. We are so grateful of the countless hours spent making each one of these quilts. As many of you know, quilt making is truly a labor of love! Thank you Coulee Quilters!