## Bethany Home MESSENGER

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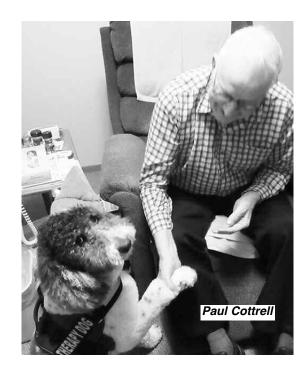


Peggy Myers (owner) and Linden

### FALL-WINTER

Thank you to the staff for taking care of our loved ones

Linden visits residents and lifts their spirits.



#### What's Inside

Activities Directors Memorials Halloween Costumes Honoring Veterans Words of Encouragement Santa Claus & Rudolph Visits Upcoming Events

#### Activities

Autumn • Halloween • Crafts Veteran"s Day • Thanksgiving • Christmas Birthdays and more . . .

#### **BETHANY HOME ACTIVITIES**

by Karma Sinsel

itumn season at Bethany Home found the activity department being able to take small groups of residents out for bus rides. The residents enjoyed seeing the country side, change of leaves, watching the farmers harvest their bounty of crops, and driving through Nelson's pumpkin patch. Residents were amazed at all the different sizes and shapes of pumpkins and gourds.

October birthday honorees were: 10/2 Helen Dye, 10/6 Deloris Ingram and Roberta Larsen, 10/10 Margaret Christensen 100 years young, 10/15 Adrian Choquette, 10/18 Duane Kimle, 10/28 Harriet Meyers and 10/31 Nancy Hammer. Birthday cake was served to everyone.



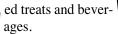
Bethany Home welcomes Chaplain Julie Schmidt. Julie will oversee the ministerial duties at Bethany Home. visits/prays with the resi-

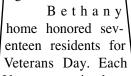
Adrian Choquette with sunflower

dents, conducts Bible study and church services (when covid restrictions are lifted).

A hallway Halloween party was held the day before Halloween.

Bethany home staff dressed in their best costume. Residents enjoyed some "spooky" assort-





Veteran received a painted canvase - they were painted by Activity assistant Juanita Smith.

November birthday honorees were: 11/1 Viola Ebke, 11/3 Martin Ruiz, 11/5 Doris Nielsen and Janet Blank, 11/6 Ena

Nokes, 11/19 Sandra Hein. Birthday cake was served to everyone.

Residents have enjoyed reading all the cards of encouragement for Thanksgiving from Minden Evangelical Free Church, Nebraska Strong: Recovery Project and community friends.

> Bethany Home employees raised money by selling tshirts and wrist bands in support of fellow employee Keshia Shears, who is undergoing treat-

ments for cancer.

The peace of God, which transcends all knowledge, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 4:7

December Birthday honorees were: 12/8 Paul Cottrell, 12/9 Charmine Thomsen, 12/14 Marion Beck, 12/16 Gaylen Hansen, 12/22 Eileen Raun, 12/28 Martha Montgomery and 12/30 Barb Klein. Birthday cake was served to everyone.

Oh, when the weather outside is so delightful, you put on your winter coats and go for a bus ride to see the Christmas City of lights and the five acre Country lights. The activity department was able to take small groups of residents out to see the lights. Always nice to hear the residents share their comments of all the houses decorations.

Many residents continue to have window visits with their families and friends, as well as mini pic-

nics, mid morning coffee's in special coffee cups and "special" blend of real coffee, mini birthday parties and mini family Christmas parties. Residents enjoy watching



dren and great-grandchildren play with their toys while the rest of the family visits.

Trinity Lutheran Church-Hildreth youth group stopped by one afternoon to sing Christmas carols through the windows/doors for the residents to enjoy.

Residents' Christmas party was held on December 23rd in the hallways. The activity department and other staff helped pass out Christmas gifts from Bethany Home staff, community



Ruth Steen enjoying view during bus ride

#### Bethany Home's Management Staff

Bob Tank	Administrator
Cassie Grube Schmidt	Director of Nursing
Michelle Golden	Assistant Director of Nursing
Karma Sinsel	Activities Director
Barb Detlefsen	Social Services Director
Diana Podewitz	Dietary Manager
Dayle Dornhoff	Laundry/Housekeeping Supervisor
Julie Terrel, R.N	Assisted Living Coordinator
Jodi Swartz	Business Office Mgr/Medical Records
Lynn Tacha	Maintenance Supervisor

#### Bethany Home Board of Directors

Delvin Schmidt	President
Joann Paulsen	Secretary
Arlen Osterbuhr	Treasurer
Mary Jo Schwenka	Member
Mary Jo Schwenka  Cathy Dzuris  Linda Black	Member
Linda Black	Member
Randy Sigurdson	Member
Gayle Dorn	Member
Dana Faber	Member

#### CHRISTMAS CARDS

from Franklin American Legion





### Christmas Nails

made by St. Paul Lutheran Ladies





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group and friends to all of the residents. They loved the nice assortment of finger food. Residents also received a bag full of assorted Christmas cards, ornaments and colored pictures of encouragement and Christmas wishes.

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T-shirt sales raised for employee
Keshia Shears, who is undergoing treatments for cancer.

Santa Claus (KeAnna Maguire) and Rudolph (Dena Maguire) made a surprise visit and posed for photos with all the residents. We thank KeAnna and Dena for bringing smiles and laughter to the residents.

Christmas Eve candlelight church service was held on December 24th in the hallways. All residents were invited to sit in their doorways and porches to listen to Chaplain Julie Schmidt deliver the Christmas message.

On Christmas Eve evening, Peggy and Brittany Meyers put together some goody bags from donations and Linden (their therapy dog) passed them out to all of the residents. Thank you for helping brighten everyone's day.

We continue to be creative with our activities for the residents. They enjoy being able to reminisce with one another across the hallways, one to one visits, helping residents write letters to their family or friends, playing trivia, word games and bingo.

New Year's Eve party for all the residents was held on December 31st in the hallways. Tasty appetizers, finger food and non-alcoholic drinks were served to all. Hallway music was played for everyone's enjoyment. The residents rang in the New Year with the countdown, "Auld Lang Syne" and their noise makers.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. - Romans 15:13

Harvest season on the Memory Support Unit found the activity department being able to take small group of residents out for a bus ride. The residents enjoyed seeing the country side, watching the farmers harvest their crops, seeing farm animals and driving through Nelson's pumpkin patch. Residents were amazed at all the different sizes and shapes of pumpkins and gourds. The residents are enjoying having Chaplain Julie Schmidt come every Wednesday mornings for Bible Study. One afternoon, residents got to enjoy dressing up as a elf and finding out their elf's name. Lots of smiles and laughter were seen by all. The residents enjoyed a surprise visit from Santa Claus and Rudolph one afternoon. Christmas gifts from Bethany Home staff, community group and friends were passed out to everyone. They also enjoyed the assortment of finger food and beverages. New Year's Eve party, residents enjoyed tasty finger foods and non-alcoholic drinks. They reminisced, New Year's countdown and sang Auld Lang Syne. The residents continue to enjoy face time, zoom, window visits with their families and friends. They also continue to like the daily activities that are held on the unit.

Bethany Home activities department continues to enjoy the ipads from Minden Public School, to connect residents with their love ones through zoom and face time. We continue to travel the country and along the way we girls may meet a new fami-

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### Thanksgiving Visitors



Marion Beck visiting with family



Mary Stull visiting with friend on Thanksgiving

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ly member of the residents.

Thank you to ALL who volunteer in any way at Bethany Home. Thanks to everyone who donates their time and talents and monetary donations. You make Bethany Home the great facility it is. Thank you to ALL our staff their dedication and to everyone in the community for your support during this time. We have amazing employees working in ALL depart-

ments. Until next time, Bethany Home invites everyone to like us on our Facebook page and check us out on the web at:

www.bethany-home.org.















Words of encouragement from Nebraska Strong Recovery Project.

Thanksgiving cards of encouragement



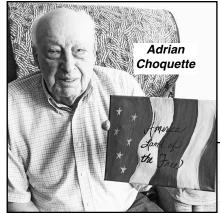
Minden Evangelical Free Church sent cards of encouragment for Thanksgiving.

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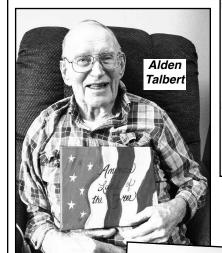
### Honored their Veterans on Veterans Day

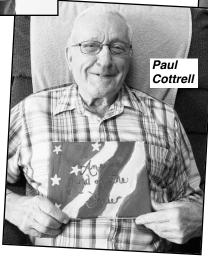
with a painted canvas by Activity assistant Juanita Smith

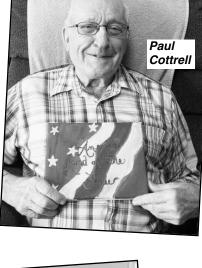
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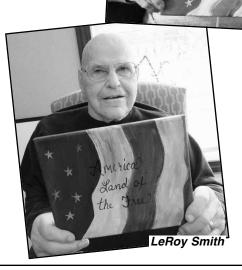




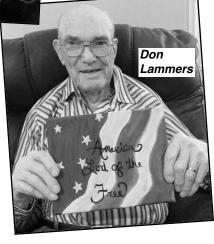








George Jensen





Al Grisham

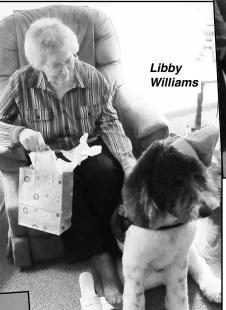
Vernon Christensen

### Linden the Therapy Dog visits the Residents











Max Bonhom





### WHAT'S YOUR ELF NAME?

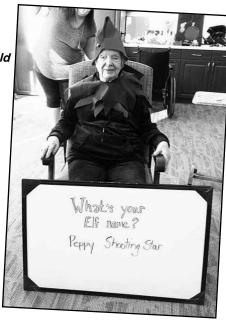


Betty Loseke



Naughty ElFie Ears

Edna Scheffield



Harriet Meyers



Leroy Smith



Mary Stull



Pat Moshek

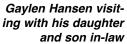


Phyllis Johnson

# FAMILY Visits



Wayne and Willene Kile





Gwen Schmidt visiting with her granddaughter



Martin Ruiz visiting with family



Sandra Hein visiting with her family



Vernetta Fritz

Arleen Schenk

### Christmas Eve

### HALLWAY CHURCH SERVICE







L-R: Jean Liebers, Marion Beck, Linda King, Barb Klein, George Jensen

#### **BETHANY HOME**

## Invites You to These Upcoming Events! Refreshments served at 2:30 p.m. - Events at 2:45 p.m.

**UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED - ASSISTED LIVING DINING ROOM** 

### FEBRUARY • MARCH • APRIL

At this time Bethany Home is uncertain of what the next three months will look like, as we progress onto our next phase of this pandemic.

We ask that you go to Bethany Home's website and click on the activity calendar and see if events or live entertainments have been added to the new calendar month.



Bus Rides out to see Christmas Lights



L-R: Dean & Julie Zoerb, Veron Christensen



#### Donations - Kearney County Giving Day

Russell & Carolyn Olsen
Don & Sharilyn Miller
Minden Exchange Bank
Larry & Karen Wilcox
Janice Coon
Choquette Electric
1st Bank & Trust
Dick & Kay Lyn McBride
Ron Jensen

Todd Jensen
Leon & Val Jean Stadler
Marilyn Rasmussen
Ted & Rita Griess
Nadine Hopkins
Eugene Lundeen
Sheila Stubbs
Richard & Sally Phillips
Dean & Julie Zoerb

Zach Tobey
Lana Hegarty
Susan Anderson
Jim & Michelle Edgecombe
Marse McCann-Carpenter
Jolene Fitzsimmons
Dean & Karma Sinsel
Kevin Raun

### Gifts "In Honor of" to Bethany Home 4th Quarter 2020

In Honor of Brian & Barb Petersen

From: Robert & Audrey Christensen

In Honor of Lois Hansen at Christmas

From: Calvin & Charlene Rogers

In Honor of

Margaret Christensen on her 100th Birthday

From: Dean & Marcia Marsh

#### **IN MEMORY OF**

#### **MARY BEINKE**

Disciples Women's Ministry, First Christian Church

#### **RICHARD CARLSON**

Ron & Joann Paulsen John & Jane Albers

#### **ARTHUR CHAVEZ**

David & Bobbie Dobill Bobette Kersenbrock

#### **JASON COLE**

Leroy Hansen

#### **ELEANOR DEISLEY**

Larry & Karen Wilcox

#### **BETTY ETZELMILLER**

Phil & Eleanor Etzelmiller

#### **BOB KING**

Leroy Hansen Minden Exchange Bank

#### **ELDEAN KUEHN**

Duwayne & Marcia Krueger Donna Schwenka

#### **LONN MILLS**

Leon & Val Jean Stadler Vernon Christensen & Family Ron & Joann Paulsen

#### PATTY ISAACS

Disciples Women's Ministry, First Chrisian Church

#### SHIRLEY QUADHAMER

Disciples Women's Ministry, First Christian Church

#### **LAVERN REIL**

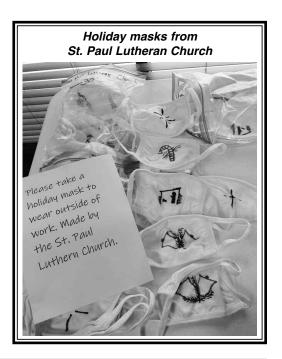
Duwayne & Marcia Krueger

#### **LAVERN SCHEIDIES**

Randy & Nancy Scheidies

#### **COLLEEN STEINKRUGER**

David & Kay Banner Leroy Hansen Minden Exchange Bank



Please visit our website at www.mybethanyhome.com











Joyce Keeten







Christmas Greetings





Marion Beck celebrated her 91st Birthday with window visitors

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