

BETHEL COMMUNITY FOCUS

"Sharing Christ Through Caring Service"



Bethel Achieves Sought-After 5-Star Quality Rating

Congratulations to the staff and residents at Bethel Lutheran Home for achieving a 5-star rating from the Centers for Medi- and services procare & Medicaid Services (CMS) this summer!

Each nursing home's star used to compile rating is featured on CMS's Nursing Home Compare website at www.medicare.gov/ nursinghomecompare. Ratings are based on health inspections, staffing, and quality care

measures. Each facility also ping for a nursing home. receives an overall rating. All nursing homes which

Nursing homes vary in

the quality of care vided to their residents. Data these ratings provides a "snapshot" of each nursing

home's quality.

CMS provides the star rating as part of a toolkit to give consumers questions to ask when shop-



Lisa Schaefer

receive federal funding for Medicare and Medicaid services are regularly surveyed by CMS in-

spectors. Facility staff are required to report clinical information about

each of their residents to CMS, which uses the data to measure nursing home quality, such as whether residents have received

their flu shots, are in pain, or are losing weight. These measures are often called the "quality of resident care." Each facility's scores are posted on the Nursing Home Compare website, which features two types of resident care quality measures: short-stay quality measures and long-stay quality measures.

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Short-stay resident quality measures depict the average quality of resident

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Protecting Our Loved Ones During Cold and Flu Season

Cold and flu season is upon us! Please take note of this message from Sabrina Susanen, Bethel's Infection Prevention Nurse:

Cold and flu season can be a dangerous time of vear for nursing home residents, due to their weakened immune system and how quickly cold and flu germs can spread in a healthcare environment.

The good news is that you can help prevent your loved one and other residents from becoming ill with a cold or the flu.

- Please do not visit if you are ill. Elderly residents are much more susceptible to becoming ill with a cold or the flu.
- When you do visit your loved one, please use hand sanitizer to sanitize your hands. Wear a mask if you have a cough or are just getting over an illness. Bethel provides masks and hand sanitizer in the entry of the nursing home and assisted living, and hand

sanitizer stations are located throughout the nursing home.

- Good hand hygiene is the best way to help prevent illness. Wash your hands often, and wash them well.
- If you are unsure if you germs out of Bethel and should visit, please speak with a charge nurse before visiting.
- We encourage you to get your annual influenza vaccine to protect

yourself from the flu. If you have any questions or concerns please call

> Bethel at (605) 256.4539 and ask to speak with a Charge Nurse at any time.

By working together, we can help keep cold and flu

away from your loved ones.

Thank you for your help in keeping our residents healthy!

> Stacie Thompson, RN, Director of Nursing



Stacie Thompson

Quality Care Requires Dedicated Team of Professionals

...Continued from page 1 care for those who stayed in a nursing home for less than 101 days. Short-stay residents often are those recovering from surgery or being discharged from a hospital stay. Many shortstay residents receive care in a nursing home until they're able to return home.

Long-stay resident quality measures depict the average quality of resident care for those who stayed in a nursing home for 101 days or more. Residents in a nursing home for a longstay are usually not healthy other providers. As our

enough to leave a nursing home and cannot usually live at home or in a community setting. These residents may be older and have more serious health issues.

Everything we do at Bethel is based on quality care. We challenge each other to continuously improve each resident's care experience. Every month we analyze data to determine areas where care can improve. We celebrate each success and constantly embark upon new quality initiatives modeled by

residents' needs change, we must adapt our care to meet those needs while maintaining quality.

One thing is for sure: it takes dedication, compassion, and teamwork to reach a 5-star rating! I am so proud of our staff for achieving this honor.

Don't tell CMS, but even without the ratings, our staff remains committed to our residents. We love what we do! Thank you for allowing us to care for your loved ones.

> Lisa Schaefer, Administrator & CEO

July, August & September:

Bethel Lutheran Home Welcomed: Joanne Owens Barbara Phelps Charles Hill Dawn VanLiere Peggy Kirstein Joan Hamann Jeannene Bach John Krause Ruth Hosek Rex Page Douglas Kindle Helen Hegdahl Arlene Johnson Dorothy Tomscha

Said goodbye to: Vernie Jaacks Judy Hanson James Brown Joanne Owens Charles Hill Jacquline Hight Rex Page

In Loving Memory: Harriet DeVries Armin Ziebarth Aleta Brown Maynard Pearson Dawn VanLiere Lawrence Eich Ioan Hamann Helen Lawrence †

WELCA, Linda Fischer, Russ and Rose Ellen Iverson, Gary and Rochelle Johnson, Kay Johnson, Pastor Conrad and Verna Krahling, and Karen Muth.

For more information about the scholarship, please contact Rosie Jamison at (605) 256-4539, or email rosie@ bethelcommunity.com. †

Graff Receives Nursing Scholarship from Bethel Foundation

This summer Bethel staff were proud to congrat- mother, Beth, ulate Marissa Graff, a 2017 Madison High School grad- ison Regional uate, as the recipient of Bethel Foundation's 2017-18 Nursing Scholarship.

The daughter of Tim and Beth Graff of Madison, Marissa has worked at Bethel Lutheran Home as a Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) since July 2014. She is now studying nursing at Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, and plans to continue working at Bethel Nursing Scholarship is dispart-time while in college.

Instrumental in Marissa's decision to become a

nurse was her a nurse at Mad-Health System. Marissa also recalls visiting her greatgrandparents when they were residents at Bethel Home,

her to become a CNA.

which inspired

The Foundation's tributed per term and is awarded annually to a Bethel employee pursuing



CNA Marissa Graff received the 2017-18 Nursing Scholarship from the Bethel Foundation. She is pictured with longtime major donor DeAnn Molskness. Graff is studying nursing at Dakota Wesleyan University. Congratulations, Marissa!

a degree in nursing.

Additional donors of the Bethel Nursing Scholarship include St Peter Lutheran Church, St Peter Lutheran Church

Recalling those "Dog Days of Summer"

Although it is officially fall, it seems that Mother

Nature is giving us one last taste of summer. We sure enjoyed those "dog days" of summer, and we welcomed the rains which helped the flowers look their best.

In June we held our volunteer brunch to thank our volunteers for all that they do for the residents at tive Christmas colors. Bethel. We can never say "thank you" enough to those who make a difference for our residents.

On Tuesday afternoons this summer, we enjoyed hosting kids from the Summer Program as they

called out Bingo numbers. We couldn't have asked

> for better weather when the Madison Community Band came to entertain the residents in July. As they say, a good time was had by all! We also cele-

brated Christmas in July by listening to Christmas music, baking Christmas cookies, and wearing fes-

Deb Rohde

Resident Donna Lidel participated in August's 4-H Achievement Days by judging place settings. This was right up her alley, as Donna often recalls the days when she served as a 4-H judge.

We hope that all of you who came to the annual Bethel picnic in August enjoyed spending time with your family, eating the delicious food and listening to the music. We are grateful that the rain held off until late afternoon when the very last chair was put away.

Also in August, the Prairie Village tractors drove through Bethel's parking lot as residents and staff reminisced about farming and fairs. It was a beautiful evening to be outside when the Mustang Seeds staff treated the residents to a delicious supper of fresh corn on the cob and grilled hamburgers - what

a wonderful way to end the summer!

If you have visited Bethel lately you have probably noticed a different type of visitor. Special thanks to therapy dogs Amber, Elly, and Ruby, who visit often and put a big smile on our residents' faces.

Happy Fall!

-Deb Rohde, Activities

TRICK-or-TREAT

We are seeking donations of wrapped candy for Halloween! Each year, your donations allow us to distribute goodies to over 600 children who trick-or-treat at the nursing home and assisted living. Thank you! †









Clockwise starting top left: Environmental Services Director Ryan McCullough makes balloon animals at Bethel's summer picnic. Residents enjoy a performance by the Madison Community Band, a picnic with Mustang Seeds staff, visits from therapy dogs, and a tractor show during the Prairie Village Jamboree.







Heritage and Blessings That Harvest Brings

I attended two events that represent our rural heritage, agricultural economy and growth from the early days in the Dakota Territory: the Prairie Village Steam Threshing Jamboree and the SD State Fair.

Prairie Village depicts our area's early history and the instrumental role the railroad had upon the continued settlement of the U.S. The Homestead Act of 1862 encouraged many homesteaders to the Dakotas. The railroad platted towns every six to 10 miles along the track, giving farmers access within a day's drive by team and wagon. This dotted the prairie with towns for the later waive of settlers made up of late 1800 immigrant children who kept moving west in search of land and opportunity.

That was true with my Granddad who rode by train to Roswell in 1907 and bought his land, two miles west and four miles south of that rail stop. Those 160 acres and more were worked by my Granddad with two horses, Prince and Bell; later, by my Dad, uncle and brothers with a 38 horse powered M Farmall Tractor; and now by my brother and nephews with a 350 horse powered tractor. Equipment used to make a living off the land has changed from a single row planter generations ago to today's 36 row planter on display at the SD State Fair last month. However, even with the many developments made in agriculture and our way of life, faith is still a fundamental element to persevere throughout one's labor, continued education and

countless investments, to reap a bountiful harvest. This belief is vital to the well-being of our families, communities and churches, both then and now.

At Bethel this is also true. We count our blessings for the individuals, families and businesses that provide support to Bethel. We are grateful for your faith in Bethel's ministry of care shown by your gifts and continued faith in us to "Sharing Christ Through Caring Service."

Many friends of Bethel may not be aware of our partnership with



Lutheran Planned Giving of South Dakota (LPGSD). SOUTH DAKOTA The Bethel Lutheran Communi-

ty and Foundation are one of the twelve members of LPGSD, whose mission is to "create a rising tide of support to all ELCA Ministries by encouraging and assisting people of God to make lifelong gifts to Lutheran Planned Giving members." LPGSD provides education about giving opportunities to their members and gift options that provide tax benefits and life income for donors.

Currently Lutheran Planned Giving of South Dakota has a new program for ag producers called, "Straight Off the Truck." This program is designed for ag producers to make a gift of a portion of their truck load of grain harvested or animals going to market.

Consideration of this program for a gift to Bethel would be much appreciated. Please see the enclosed form, or you can visit www.lpgsd.org, call Kathy McHenry at (605) 274.5030, or contact me at (605) 256.4539.



Rosie Jamison

The 12th Annual Bethel Foundation Golf Tournament was a success. Please refer to information within this edition for more detail. Just over 120 individuals and businesses were involved in this FUN event as they helped raise FUNDS, nearly \$12,000, for Bethel. Mark your calendars and save the date for our 13th Annual Bethel Golf Tourney on Friday, August 3, 2018. Our goal is \$13,000 for next year, which will mark Bethel Foundation's 30th Anniversary.

Several member churches continue the tradition of gathering and giving to help fund the needs of their congregation through annual church dinners. Consider attending an additional celebration where you can reap the benefits of giving and fellowship during this harvest season.

Finally, we thank member congregations for your faithful gifts to Bethel. We are blessed by your support that is vital to our mission!

> Rosie Jamison, Resource Development Coordinator

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." - Winston Churchill

Sioux Valley Energy Grant Assists with Resident Safety and Comfort

Last summer the Bethel Foundation submitted a grant application to Sioux Valley Energy (SVE) Operation Round Up Board of Directors.

SVE approved a grant of \$1.000 to Bethel Lutheran Home Foundation, to assist in the funding of specialty wheelchairs, beds, shower chairs, rock-and-go wheelchairs and Arjo lifts. These items are enhancements over what we could normal-



ly provide for resident comfort and safety.

This spring we received more items with the assistance of the SVE Operation Round Up Grant. Specifically, we purchased Arjo lifts that allow staff members to assist residents more comfortably, safely and with the Operation Round Up

less strain on the resident and staff. These lifts also help to avoid potential accidents upon moving residents from their bed to their wheelchairs when transporting them for bathing and restorative care.

Bethel greatly appreciates

Grant approved by the Sioux Valley Energy Customers' Trust Board of Directors. Thank you for assisting our staff and residents with these daily activities! Your gift is a blessing in so many ways.

Also, we extend a heartfelt thank you to all members who participate in Operation Round Up through Sioux Valley Energy!

> -Bethel Lutheran Home & Foundation

Bethel Benefactor Gifts: June-August 2017

Does not include gifts from memorials, endowments, Christmas, or fundraising events.

Keystone: \$500-\$999 annually Carrol & June Olson Cornerstone: \$250-499 annually Dave Gilbert Kerry & Stacy Karlson Viola Sorenson

Footings: \$100-\$249 annually Brenda Girouard Nicholas & Bonnie Spielmann Priscilla Trevino †

Benefactor Gifts are welcomed the entire year and recognized annually. Thank you, Benefactors!

If you are not a Benefactor, please consider becoming a Bethel Benefac tor by signing and sending in your membership and gift. *†*

Gifts Given Between June 1, 2017 and August 31, 2017

Please see page 7 for a list of donors contributing to the

Foundation's 2017 Golf Tournament. We are blessed!

Continuum of Care **Endowment Gifts**

Roger & Judy Fritz Wayne & Crystal Pauli

Church Gifts

Grace Lutheran Church, **Quarterly Gift** St. John Lutheran Church.

percentage of 5th Sunday gifts

Trinity Lutheran Church, Benevolence 3 months

Chaplaincy Endowment Gifts

Steve & Lori Koenen Given in Memory of Armin Ziebarth Lake Madison Lutheran Church Lent Offering Bonnie Stratton, Given in Memory of Mildred A. Olson

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Bonnie Funk Dale & Ginny Ziebarth Shelly Doblar Stacy Ulwelling Victor & Zona Sanderson Sandy Poncelet

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Thrivent Financial Gifts

Your Cause–Golf, from Tim Campbell Action-from Monica & Tim Campbell †

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Memorial Gifts, June through August 2017

In Memory of Nancy Barrick Lyle & Sandi Johnson

In Memory of Aleta Brown

Barb & Rose Mary Hyland Lana Johnson Jerome & Nancy Lammers

In Memory of Genevieve Bumann Ronald & Daniel Schultis

In Memory of Sylvia Coolev

Nancy Jacobson, Maynard & Pat Stock, and Jerry & Judy Cooley (wheelchair) Elizabeth (Betty) Jensen Jim & Barb Liebl, and Helen Oldre

In Memory of Elaine Cundy Dick & Donna Fawbush

In Memory of Harriet **DeVries**

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In Memory of Roger Kraft Bill & Joyce Richter

In Memory of Gerard Lammers Dan & Sharon Carlson

In Memory of Elmer & **Beatrice Larsen** David & Barbara Hanson Family of Elmer & Beatrice Larsen Trust - Roger Larsen, Trustee

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In Memory of Armin Ziebarth Fred & Susan Aderhold

David Amundson Anonymous Gifts Carol Baxter Richard & Phyllis Birk

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October 2017

84 Golfers Make Golf Tournament a Success!

Eighty-four golfers participated in the 12th Annual Bethel Foundation Golf Tournament August 4th at Madison Country Club.

We were blessed with a perfect day during one of our largest Bethel Golf Tournaments to raise funds for continued quality care and Bethel's ongoing ministry.

Thank you to all involved: golfers, sponsors, pin and door prize contributors, volunteers and employees! Placings were for the top two in each flights, Longest Putt and Chipping Contest. †



Above: 1st Flight 1st Place East River Electric Power Cooperative Team with a scramble score of 53 in 18 holes. Team members (left to right) are Brian Byrd, Mike Brooke, Dan Rinehart & Elliot Shoup-Owens.



Rosie Jamison, Resource Development Coordinator





Left: 2nd Flight 1st Place Hefty Seed Co. – Marty Seten Team with 62 strokes. Team members (left to right) are Wager Stromer, Josh Mulder, Eric Bothun & Marty Seten.

Left: 2nd Flight 2nd Place Mustang Seeds, Inc. scoring 64. Team members (left to right) are Dan Bruna, Terry Schultz, Kasey Gehrels & Casey Crabtree.

Save the date: Next year's event is Friday, August 3, 2018!



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