

# The Branch

News for Family and Friends at Bethany

March 2020

## A Message From Chaplain

Greetings from the Chaplains at Bethany Home. The motto of Bethany is "The Best Care. Always." Chaplains are available to provide spiritual care and encouragement to both residents and staff of Bethany. A typical week finds them in one on one visits, leading chapel worship, offering opportunities to study the Bible, consulting with other staff members, and be available to provide counsel to those with the issues of daily living. When considering the needs of friends and/or family in need of nursing care, sheltered living, or recovery/rehab, Bethany offers care for body, soul, and spirit. Each Chaplain is a retired Lutheran pastor and we serve on a rotation of a week at a time. We invite and welcome you to learn more about us. Our office is on the lower level of the new building.

- Chaplain John Schmidt

### Beauty Shop Notice

Under any circumstance, if someone is more than 10 minutes late for a Beauty Shop appointment, the appointment has to be rescheduled.

## Volunteer Needs

Bethany has many volunteer opportunities including:

- 1-1 Special Friend
- Activity Assistant
- Bingo Helper
- Conversations Gardner
- Outing Assistant
- Special Event Assistant
- Support Clerk
- Thrift Store Attendant
- Reading Buddies
- Pedi-Cab
- Pet Therapy
- Church Service Helper
- Wednesdays 9:45-10:45am
- Sundays 9:15am-11:15am

Are you available? Contact Casey!  
 caseyb@bethany-home.com  
 715-942-1441

Thank you to our February donors!

**Arlin Barden,  
 Robert Schoenheide,  
 Ronald & Joleen Diley**



## Pen Pal Party

Residents of our Skilled Nursing as well as our Assisted Living CBRF got to meet their pen pals last month! Children of St. Mary Magdalene's Church wrote



back and forth with our residents biweekly for a few months. They were invited to our campus to meet their pen pals over cookies and



lemonade and got to spend about half an hour together. The residents loved having them!

## Valentine's Day Carnival



We celebrated Valentine's Day with a Valentine's Day Carnival again this year. The back dining room was where the carnival was held. There was seven different games as well as a "kissing booth" where the residents guessed how many Hershey's kisses were in the jar and the winner received the entire jar of kisses. Residents from all areas of the campus



attended and participated in the games, then went to the prize table for Valentine's Day themed prizes. After the carnival, there were treats in the bar.



Thank you to the staff and volunteers

that helped make the carnival a success! Thank you to the residents' families who also attended.

## Happy Birthday

- 3/1 Patricia Thompson
- 3/2 Marlys Hurst
- 3/5 Beverly Rhodes
- 3/8 Magdalen Trantow
- 3/9 John Clement
- 3/14 Lila Pohl
- 3/14 Sheila Boon
- 3/16 Helen Ellerie
- 3/16 Belle Farrell
- 3/25 Eileen Christensen
- 3/29 Harriet Hansen

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Caregiver Support Group**  
3/11

**Bake Sale**  
3/11, 12, & 13

**St. Patrick's Day**  
3/17

**Campus Wide Birthday Party**  
3/18

**Memory Care Support Group**  
3/26

For more events check out [www.bethanyofwaupaca.com/monthly-newsletter-calendar/](http://www.bethanyofwaupaca.com/monthly-newsletter-calendar/)  
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**Snickering Senior Section**

*Courtesy of Bob Johnson, Shadow Woods Resident*

**My wife and I were taking our grandson to church, and had to go by a local prison.**

As we went by, my grandson said to me,

"Grandpa, they have a lot of bad people in there."

**I responded by saying, "I hope they learn to behave."**

My grandson was quiet for a while

and then he was ready to respond.

**(A point of information is that my grandson is often disciplined by having him sit on a couch.)**

He said, "Grandpa, I bet they have a lot of couches in there."



**BAKE SALE**  
March 11, 12, & 13  
9:00am-3:00pm by the front desk  
Items made special by Bethany staff  
All proceeds go to employee appreciation



**DESCRIPTION OF WHAT PENNY DOES IN HER ROLE**  
"We provide a service to families with loved ones at Bethany. We strive to keep the residents neat and clean."

**PENNY'S JOURNEY AT BETHANY**  
"I started part time in laundry which was laundry/housekeeping at the time. I did always work more than part time though. I was offered a different position a few times but I chose to stay in my laundry position and never left because I love it."

**"Penny is very happy and smiling all the time. She is very talkative and very nice to everybody-- residents and staff! She is willing to do whatever she can to help."**

-Julie W.



**PENNY KETTLEWELL**  
Laundry

Start Date- March 6, 1985



**"This is an easy one! Penny is hard working and very dependable."**

-Jay F.

**PENNY'S FAVORITE PART ABOUT HER JOB & WORKING AT BETHANY**  
The independence we have in laundry and being a little disconnected from everything else but it is nice to talk to the residents when delivering laundry to them."

**WHAT INSPIRES PENNY**  
"I always say, "Treat people the way you want to be treated and be kind to everyone." and I think about the residents, "What if they were my grandma/grandpa?"

**PENNY'S FONDEST MEMORY AT BETHANY**  
A resident's wife made a huge tablecloth that took her months to make. She brought it in and ended up gifting it to me. I was so shocked but grateful."

**WHAT PENNY ENJOYS DOING OUTSIDE OF WORK**  
"I enjoy hiking, biking, playing guitar, and doing projects I find on Pinterest with my hus-

**Welcome New Employees!**

**Dietary**  
Trae Claussen  
Amanda Sancinati

**Marketing**  
Sally Swanson

**Nursing**  
Ashley Iacconi  
Eugene Moeschel  
Thomas Studley  
Sandra Mathias  
Sierra Krohn

**The Pines, CBRF**  
Monica Rafay  
Colleen Ione  
Seehausen-Dixon  
Cierra Shultis

**The Pines, RCAC**  
Kimberly Himebaugh