



# SALEM MESSENGER



**Salem Lutheran Homes and Rehabilitation Center**

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## November 2016

### “Veterans’ Salute”...

Mark your calendar for November 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM. Salem will be saluting our Veterans. Wear red white and blue and join our residents for a fun afternoon in honor and in memory of our Salem and our community Veterans.

Salem’s ‘Veteran of the Month’ club is still going strong. It is directed by Board President, Nick Nicotero. **Salem is a VA Contracted facility** and serves many veterans. If you haven’t seen our Veteran of the month bulletin board, please stop by. It is located in the Chapel hallway.

### Welcome New Residents

*Norma Arnvig, Cecil Denney, Dale Nelson, & Brian Jorgensen*

### Words from the Administrator...

I can see the many years of dedication through your continuous support and because of you we have been able to adapt to evolving health care changes and most importantly enhance our resident’s lives through Christian Dignity. In the last year, we have received Mycophones for all of our nursing staff for safe and effective communication that allows soundless alarms to be sent directly to the nurses. Our dining room has been opened up to provide more space for activities along with new dining furniture soon to arrive, artwork and decorative detail for a home-like feel. Take a walk through our halls and notice new ceiling fans and art to greet you. Patients requiring therapy before returning home have been able to enjoy the new, private Rehab-to-Home dining. Recently, we have even acquired new snack carts and after 54 years, our kitchen has received a new commercial oven. Though we have not been able to accomplish all that we had wished for in such a short amount of time, we continue to move forward on our overall goal of expansion and continued room refreshes.

-Natasha Urinko



### November Highlights...

- 2nd & 16th Communion Services 9:30 AM
- 9th Awana’s Club in Chapel 4:00 PM
- 11th Honoring our Veterans 3:00PM
- 12th Craig Kruse 2:15 to 3:00PM
- 14th Immanuel Lutheran Harlan Bingo 3:00 PM
- 15th 2:45 Goldenairs
- 16th Kimballton Lutheran Bingo 3:10 PM
- 18th St. Pauls Atlantic 3:00 PM
- 19th Abundant Life Visits
- 21st St. Pauls Irwin Holiday Party 3:00 PM
- 23rd Catholic Mass 10:00 AM
- 23rd Thanksgiving Service 3:00 PM

**Daily devotions** 9am

**Tuesdays-Book Club** 2 PM

**Tuesdays- Plant Care** 10AM & Bible Study 4PM

**Wednesdays/Thursdays-Van Rides** TBD

**Thursdays- Pampered Nails** 1 PM & Man Cave Time 1 PM

**Friday- Wii Bowling** 2 PM

**Daily Snack Cart** 2:30/ **Coffee** at 3 on Community Events



**Veteran’s Day**

November 11th

### Resident Birthdays in October...

- 02-Julie Peterson
- 04-Peggy Donn
- 07-Ruth Thompsen
- 17-Elaine Christensen
- 19-Janice Weihs
- 25-Merle Larson

### Employee Birthdays in October....

- 01-Dixie Sorensen
- 04-Jessica Ratliff
- 19-Lisa Haas
- 20-Vicki Stevens
- 27-Cindy Gries
- 27-Lori Harris-Jensen
- 30-Betty Fredericksen

### Employee Anniversaries in November....

- 06-Jacquie Andersen 3yrs
- 11-Marcy Larsen 13yrs
- 11- Ellisa Woodruff 1 yr
- 12-Max Sebeniecher 2 yrs
- 18-Marcia Carlson 7yrs

**Veteran of the month...**



Veteran  
Roy Van  
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*Memory & Honor Christmas Tree*

*< In Memory*

*In Honor >*

For a minimum donation of \$10.00 an ornament with a ribbon displaying the name you designate will be placed on the tree. They may be purchased in memory of a loved one, to honor a current resident of SLH or any individual special to you. Gifts for ornaments will be accepted through December 22nd and can be picked up after Christmas. Please provide us with a clearly printed name to put on the ornament along with your donation to the attention of Katrina Parker. Donation will go towards future expansion.

**Employee of the Month for Acceptance...**

Mandy Rath



***In Loving Memory...***  
Mary Precht

**'Seniors for Seniors'**

October 14th, staff and family friends worked the concession stand for the Spartan Booster Club!



***Volunteer Opportunities...***

For volunteer opportunities contact our Activity Director, Donna McClain at (712)764-4021 ext. 209!  
Thank you to all of our volunteers this month especially the Spartan Leadership Teens & grandchildren!

**New Century Art Guild decorates pumpkins....**

**Staff contributed to the Resident Pot Luck!**



**Fall Bazaar Baking & Decorating...**



**Thank you for joining us at our fall bazaar, donating items for auction & for purchasing auction items! Special thanks to our board members, Wayne Hansen Auctioneer, Leadership teens, Kimballton Youth Group, area congregations, and staff for all your hard work!**



Photo's by Deb Bieker & Nick Nicotero

### Salem Association of Churches

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Brayton                    United-Shelby    Immanuel-Harlan  
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Katrina Parker, Director of Resource Development & Marketing kriggs2@good-sam.com (220)  
Pastoral Services  
Pastor Sam Jacobs, Chaplain (226)

## *Memorials*

**Sherri Hansen:** \$25 Larry Kolb, \$10 Harold Pieper, \$20 Bruce & Calla Poldberg, \$25 Carolyn Oldenburg, \$20 Deb & James Bieker, \$20 John Leistad; **Robert Madsen:** \$20 James & Deb Bieker, \$50 Leroy Sand; **Duane Kropf:** \$50 Leroy Sand; **Richard Anderson:** \$10 Gene Thompsen ; **George Kinther:** \$300 Kinther Family

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**Memory Care Unit:** \$30 Melissa Akers

**Staff Appreciation:** \$20 Clarice Andersen

### **Salem Bazaar– Sunshine Mission– Ladies Aid**

Michael and Melissa Akers \$50; JoNelle Block \$90; Roland and Peggy Hansen \$60; Doug and Wanda Smith \$120; Carolyn Oldenburg \$20; Mike and Lisa Haas \$55; Donald and Janet Jensen \$73; James and Deb Bieker \$165; Julie Rasmussen \$80; Mark and Barb Smith \$197.50; Howard and Karma Sorensen \$127.50; Monte and Emily Hoegh \$303.50; Tracy Christensen \$20; Todd and Marcy Larsen \$150; Tyler and Marie Larson \$15; Leroy and Phyllis Larsen \$60; Gary and Barb Kriley \$20; Alan and Susan Steen \$407.50; Merlyn and Jeanette Knudsen \$20; Randal Nowatzke \$25; Calvin and Phyllis Hoegh \$75; Eiwind and Leta Madsen \$100; Frank and Geraldine Hemmingsen \$155; Larry and Jan Fajen \$50; Todd and Calla Johnson \$50; John and Doris Jones \$30; Harlan Tribune \$30; Henry and Mardell Walter \$35; Nadine Jacobsen \$12.50; Roger and Lisa Parker \$72.50; Gary and Kathy Soetmelk \$75; Delmar and Cindy Gries \$125; Jim and Donna McClain \$63; Mark and Shirlyn Petersen \$20; Charles and Vicki Merrill \$75; Harold and Alice Pieper \$130; Nicholas Nicotero \$40; Wayne and Janell Hansen \$180.50; Julienne and Richard Ferry \$25; Natasha Urinko \$85.50  
Cash Donations from multiple supporters: **\$948**

**We thank everyone who made this a successful event including those who donated items for auction!**