



SALEM MESSENGER

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YOU'RE INVITED

Salem's 85th Anniversary Celebration

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, 2017
4:00 PM
ELK HORN LUTHERAN CHURCH
PROGRAM, DINNER & AUCTION

Calendar of Events...

Full listing of activities available at salemlutheranhomes.org

- 4th—Communion @ 9:30 am
- 5th—October Birthday Party TBD
- 11th—Hymn Sing @ 9:30 am
- 13th—Nature's Beauty @ 10am
- 17th—Golden Aires @3:30 pm
- 18th—Communion @ 9:30 am & Kimballton Bingo @ 3:00 pm
- 23rd—Pumpkin Decorating @ TBD
- 25th—Catholic Mass @ 10:00 am
- 31st—Halloween Parades @ 10:30 am & 1:00 pm

Regularly Scheduled Activities in October

- Movie Mondays—a movie every Monday at 2:00 pm
- Trivia Tuesday—playing trivia every Tuesday @ 3:30 pm
- Wii Bowling—every Wednesday @ 4:30 pm

- *Patio Pals, Every Tuesday @ 10am
- *Book Club, Every Tuesday @ 2pm
- *Card Club, 1st, 2nd & 4th Wednesday @ 2:30pm in the Chapel
- *Ladies Nails, Every Thursday @ 1pm
- *Bible Study, Every Thursday @ 3:30pm
- *Music Therapy, Weekly on Tuesday or Thursday @ 1:30pm

Resident Birthdays in October....

- 12—Donald Norgaard
- 14—Paul Hansen
- 24—Marion Cornilsen
- 27—Mervin Coffman

Employee Birthdays in October...

- 7—Breanne Gessert
- 10—Coleen Hines
- 15—Patrick Gallagher
- 17—Donald Norris
- 22—Melody Weilenman
- 31—Debra Pedersen

Employee Anniversaries in October...

- 3—Breanne Gessert, 4 yrs
- 7—Justin Heuton, 2 yrs.
- 14—Trixie Despenas, 1 yr.
- 14—Michaela Mikels, 1yr.
- 17—Tabitha Andersen, 4 yrs.
- 17—Martha Hargens, 10 yrs.
- 17—Lonnie Lollie-Green, 4 yrs.

In Loving Memory

LouEtta Smith
Liane Christensen
Richard Ferry
Ed Mathiasen
Tony Olhava
Imo Beecher

Best Wishes

Jack Pickham
Dean Fabian

Welcome New Residents

Phyllis Krohn, Verda Johnson,
Gladys Breeden, Diana Juelsgaard,
Wayne Logue, Jeff Albert

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Grace in Action, by Pastor Sam

What is grace? Grace, is something that someone does for someone else that they cannot do for themselves.

I see Grace in Action daily here at Salem Lutheran Homes. Everyone here assists the residents in their daily lives. There are the paid employees of our facility, but we also have many volunteers who come to assist in many different areas. We have pastors & laypeople who come and do devotions daily, piano players, & a variety of other volunteers who help with other activities like bingo & cards.

Each of these people do things for our residents that they are not able to do for themselves - "Grace in Action." The residents are very thankful for even the smallest of things, and not only physical things that they cannot do but also the acts of kindness. I have seen many times when a staff member will stop & take the time to listen & that leave a lasting impression. They treat each resident with respect & dignity, like family. We have all come to realize that we are visitors in their home.

I hope and pray that each one of our staff member's takes this with them when they leave daily & portrays this grace to all that they meet. As you come to visit Salem Lutheran Homes, I hope & pray that you will take the time to thank those who care for your loved ones and be Grace in Action yourself.



Pictured to the left is September's Veteran of the Month, Rolie Hansen, pictured with his patriotic blanket and the women who made it.



Howard celebrated his 80th Birthday on August 3rd and shared this really cool cake with Salem.



On September 11th, Salem had a visitor from Denmark stop by to visit. (Pictured here with Irene & Mary)

GIFT BASKETS WANTED
for the annual bazaar auction
For more information please call Tami @ Salem
712-764-4201 ext. 220

Veteran of the Month

IKE MADSEN



Ike Madsen served in the army, enlisting in 1943, because he was both drafted and wanted to serve his country. Ike served for 2 1/2 years as an infantry man and was stationed in Texas, Mississippi, England and Germany during his tour of duty. Ike fought in the Battle of the Bulge.

His favorite place while he was serving was London as he was able to do some sightseeing. They held dances during the day and the ladies would ask the men to dance. Ike was

able to see President Eisenhower several times during his time in service. Once he was able to shake his hand as Eisenhower greeted the troops on his way by.

When Ike returned home to Kimballton he went back to driving truck, got married after dating for a couple of years and had five children with his wife, Leta. The Madsen's have 3 boys and 2 girls (lost one daughter to polio), 10 grandchildren and a few great-grandchildren.

Thank you for your service!



Mary was crowned as Salem's Smile Queen during SMILE week! (August 11th)

Celebrating Fair Week Salem Style

While the Iowa State Fair was taking place in Des Moines, Salem celebrated State Fair Week with a week full of snacks and games. Snacks included traditional state fair foods such as popcorn, floats, funnel cakes, corn dogs, and donut holes.

Games included Bullseye, Clothes Pin Drop, Beachball Throw, Ping Pong Toss, and Can Knock Down.

Pictured below is Mary, Imo, Mel, Esther, Cheryl, Steve, Irene and Joann enjoying donut holes and reminiscing on the fair and the good ol' times.



Salem Administrator Natasha with resident Joann viewing the Solar Eclipse together.

Salem Solar Eclipse Party

On Monday, August 21, 2017 staff and residents of Salem enjoyed watching the Solar Eclipse. Resident, Danny (pictured below) said, "This is the coolest thing I have ever seen."



For more than an hour staff assisted residents outside to the viewing area to witness the historic event.

Follow the Yellow Brick Road



August 25th was the anniversary date of the movie release of the Wizard of Oz. Salem Celebrated by having staff dress as characters from the movie. Residents had popcorn and watched the movie in the afternoon.

Keith, our resident StatMan, enjoys keeping statistics on just about everything. He also helps with the activity calendar and proofreading & folding the Messenger.



Marcia's 45th Anniversary

On Wednesday, September 6th Salem staff and Marcia Nelson's family surprised her with an anniversary party to commemorate her 45 years of service to Salem.



Resident, Ike enjoyed viewing the eclipse and stayed outside watching most of the eclipse.

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Memorials

Cy Petersen—\$15 Verda Johnson

LouEtta Smith—\$10 Mark & Barb Smith, \$10 Joanne Greving

Arnold Petersen—\$20 Darrell & Lenore Fredericksen, \$10 John & Hertha Haas, \$10 Terry & Neta Sander, others listed under Resident TV's

Liane Christensen—\$10 Lucille Winther, \$10 Larry & Barbara Petersen, \$20 James & Deb Bieker, \$10 Joanne Greving, \$15 Nadine Jacobsen, \$10 Laverne & Joyce Smith, others listed under Resident TV's

Richard Ferry—\$20 Shane & Tami Schechinger, \$10 Mel & Jacqueline Andersen, \$20 Calvin & Phyllis Hoegh, \$15 Carolyn Oldenburg, \$20 Duane & Marlene Christensen, \$10 Verdell Hansen, \$20 Dick & Sonja Switzer, \$20 James & Deb Bieker, \$5 Helen Roenfeld, \$5 Terry & Neta Sander, others listed under Resident TV's

Ann Nelsen—\$20 Darrell & Lenore Fredericksen

George Nelsen—\$50 Gary & Betty Woodring, \$50 James & Deb Bieker, \$150 Mike Nelsen

Ed Mathiasen—\$5 Joanne Greving, others listed under Resident TV's

Henry Walters—\$20 Darrell & Lenore Fredericksen, \$15 Nadine Jacobsen

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Donations

General

\$1,250—Harlan Immanuel Lutheran Church, general
\$50—Kimballton Immanuel Lutheran Church—July donation
\$500—Elk Horn Lutheran Church—July benevolence
\$20—Avoca Trinity Lutheran in memorial of Patricia Rock & Berniece Peters
\$40—Warren Watson via Thrivent Choice Dollars Giving

Resident TV's & Wall Mounts

\$338.51—The Christensen's, Laura Holmgaard, Marius & Arnold, Maximilliane Manhard
\$200—Carolyn Oldenburg sponsorship by Dean & Carolyn Oldenburg
\$10—Merlyn & Jeanette Knudsen for Arnold Petersen memorial
\$10—Merlyn & Jeanette Knudsen for Richard Ferry memorial
\$20—Rosemary Petersen for Liane Christensen memorial
\$20—Rosemary Petersen for Richard Ferry memorial
\$25—Rosemary Petersen for Ed Mathiasen memorial
\$25—Lee & Jennifer Barnett for Ed Mathiasen memorial
\$25—Karen Goans for Ed Mathiasen memorial
\$25—Larry & Barbara Petersen for Ed Mathiasen memorial

\$5 Club

\$60—Carolyn Oldenburg—resident activities

