

# SALEM MESSENGER

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## Calendar Highlights

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Daily Devotions @ 9am in Unit and 9:30am in Chapel.

- 3rd—Communion during Devotions
- 8th—Roger Kubik @ 2pm in Unit & 3pm in Dining Room
- 15th—Resident Council @ 10am in Chapel
- 16th—Goldenaires @ 3pm in Dining Room
- 17th—Communion during Devotions & Kimballton BINGO @ 3pm
- 24th—Catholic Mass @ 10am in Chapel

January Birthday Party hosted by Elk Horn Lutheran Church—date & time TBD

Mondays—Movie @ 2:00pm  
Tuesdays—Trivia @ 3:30 pm  
Wednesdays—Bowling @ 4:30 pm  
Fridays—Snow Man Craft in Chapel @ 4:30 pm  
Saturdays—BINGO @ 2:00 pm  
Sundays—Ice Cream Cart @ 4:00 pm

\*Ladies Nails, Thursdays @ 1 PM  
\*Bible Study, Thursdays @ 3:30 PM  
\*Music Therapy, Thursdays @ 1:30 PM

# JANUARY

# Happy New Year!

### Resident Birthdays

9th—Irene Larsen  
14th—Delbert Richey  
17th—Ron Boehme  
21st—Marilyn Ihnken  
22nd—Rose Anne Poldberg  
23rd—Tim Hartvigsen

### Employee Birthdays

1st—Jacquie Andersen & Michaela Mikels  
5th—Michele Dent  
13th—Meghan Christensen  
18th—Beth Larsen  
21st—Renee Sanchez  
25th—Jessie August  
29th—Genevieve Hilario

### Employee Anniversaries

4th—Julie Suntken, 1 year  
18th—Chris Retzleff, 1 year  
28th—Lori Harris-Jensen, 4 years

If you know of someone who isn't currently receiving the Messenger, but would like to, please have them reach out to Tami Schechinger at 712-764-4201 ext. 220 or [tschechi@good-sam.com](mailto:tschechi@good-sam.com)

### In Loving Memory

Bernice Mordhorst

### Welcome

Clyde Kohl, Roger Fowble,  
Marilyn Gray, Beverly Hartranft,  
Gary Parkhurst

### Best Wishes

LaVonne Leib

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# Hospice FAIR

Join us in finding out more about Hospice Care & what the options offered at Salem are.

Hospice providers from Myrtue Medical Center, AseraCare & St. Croix will be here for you to visit with & get your questions answered about Hospice Care.

MONDAY, JANUARY 29TH, 2018  
PROGRAM STARTS AT 6:00 PM  
SALEM CHAPEL

## TV Progress Thermometer



As of November 21, 2017 we have raised just shy of \$6,700 for the Health Grade Resident TV's project. Next month's report will be much higher as many of the donations received in December are not factored into this total.

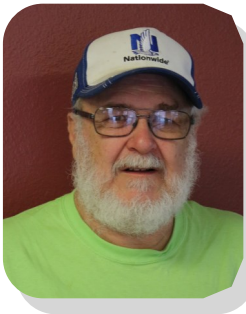
If you are interested in sponsoring a TV the cost to do so is \$338.51 and with that there will be a plaque placed with that Television with a message of your choosing. We look forward to giving you updated numbers next month, as we know we will be much closer to reaching the goal!

THANK YOU for your contributions and support of this project thus far!

If you have any questions about this project, please reach out to Tami

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## Veteran of the Month



### JIM PEDERSEN

Jim is Salem's Van Driver. He spends his days taking residents to appointments. Jim was inducted into the United States Army in March, 1970 at the age of 20. He wanted to serve his country. Jim served for 1 1/2 years as a

cook. He got out early on a hardship discharge when his father had a heart attack and needed Jim to help on the farm. Jim attended basic training at Ft. Lewis, Washington, then went to Ft. Ord, before being sent to Vietnam. While in Vietnam, Jim fed 900 troops on Thanksgiving day (he was only expecting 500). Jim received an honorable discharge with an E-4 rank. He also received Vietnam Service Medals. Jim farmed for 25 years after his time serving our country. He and his wife Deb have 2 children, one son and one daughter. Thank you for your service to both this country and Salem!



## Outpouring of Love & Support

As of 12/14/17, a total of 132 ornaments have been purchased in memory or honor of someone special. This includes a very generous and friendly purchase for every resident in Salem Lutheran Homes. We have so many ornaments in fact, that 3 trees are adorned with ornaments. Many of the ornaments purchased are not included in the TV Total above. Remember, ornaments are available for pick up after January 1st. A complete listing of ornaments will be included in February's Messenger publication.



# Ornament, Year-End Appeal & Resident Sponsorship Donations

\*\*As a reminder, all monies raised from the Ornament Fundraiser will go towards the Resident TV Project. A Project Progress Update will be included in the February Messenger.

## Honor/Memory Ornaments

\$20—Verda Johnson	\$40—Doris Rasmussen
\$50—Mike & Lisa Riggs	\$10—Peggy Hansen
\$10—Bill & Pat Kilpatrick	\$20—Natasha Urinko
\$10—Galen & Janet Johannsen	\$20—Lisa & Marty Ericksen
\$20—Linda Ballentyne	\$10—Phyllis Kosky
\$40—Lonnie Lollie-Green	\$10—Carolyn Oldenburg
\$20—Phyllis Miller	\$20—Lori McManigal
\$20—Terry & Neta Sander	\$10—Neta's Beauty Shop
\$10—Don Lebeck	\$10—Phyllis Hoegh
\$10—Robert Leach	\$10—Irene Larsen
\$30—Rosemary Petersen	\$50—Ike & Leta Madsen
\$50—Randy & Peggy Clark	\$40—St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Irwin
\$20—Gary & Kathy Soetmelk	\$30—James & Deb Bieker
\$700—Resident Friends (asking to remain anonymous)	

## Year-End Appeal Donations

\$10—Bill & Pat Kilpatrick, Resident Activities in honor of James Kilpatrick
\$250—Rand & Mary Louise Petersen, General Purpose in memory of Richard Ferry
\$200—Galan & Janet Johannsen, Physical Therapy Equipment
\$100—Howard & Karma Sorensen, General Purpose
\$500—Elva Rasmussen, General Purpose in memory of Delbert Rasmussen
\$1,000—Anonymous Donor, General Purpose
\$100—Monroe Chapel UMC, General Purpose
\$1,500—St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Atlantic, Flooring

## Resident TV Sponsorships

\$400—Nick Nicotero, in honor of America's Veterans (Year-End Appeal Designation)
\$350—Atlantic St. Paul's ELCA Women's Organization
\$350—Caleb & Maggie Wilcox

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## Salem Leadership Team

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Staff Development, Lynne Carroll  
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Health Information Management, Sarah Kunik

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Trinity Lutheran—Avoca	United Lutheran—Shelby
Bethlehem Lutheran	Brayton Lutheran
United Methodist—Harlan	Elk Horn Lutheran

## Memorials

**Tony Olhava**—\$50, Donna & Peter Gravlin via Barnes Group Foundation Matching Gift  
**Rosemary Soe**—\$20, JoNell Block  
**Elaine Christensen**—\$20, Terry & Neta Sander  
**Bernice Mordhorst**—\$5, Terry & Neta Sander  
**Ed Mathiasen**—\$10, Galen & Janet Johannsen  
**Henry Walter**—\$10, Galen & Janet Johannsen  
**Duane Christensen**—\$100.00, Curnes Financial, c/o Great Western Bank  
**Marvin Nielsen**—\$10, Roland & Peggy Hansen  
**Dorothea Paulsen**—\$10, Trinity Lutheran Church Women

## Donations

\$100—Ronald & Maureen Gries, Memory Care Unit Equipment & Furnishings  
\$500—Elk Horn Lutheran Church, General Donation  
\$49—Kimballton Immanuel Lutheran Church, October Donation  
\$500—Harlan Immanuel Lutheran Church, General Donation  
\$500—Curtis & Nancy Hoegh, General Donation in honor of Calvin Hoegh  
\$100—JoAnne Greving, General Donation  
\$190—United Lutheran Church Women, Bazaar Donation  
\$9,030.40—Joseph Kitrick Charitable Trust Annual Contribution