

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

1. Guess the total number of children our residents and staff have had altogether! The person with the closest guess will win a special Mother's Day prize. Guesses have to be sent to Amy by May 8th. You can email her at aabbas@tieszenhome.com. Winner will be announced on our facebook page. A drawing will be held if there is a tie.
2. Please help support Caffeine Corral from Salem on Wednesday, May 13th. They will have their coffee truck set up at TMH from 9-1.
3. We will have a food truck on May 15th at TMH. It will be open to the public from 12-1:30. This will be a BBQ truck from Backyard Grill. I will post a menu on our facebook page closer to that date.

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Give us a call for more information!

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TIESZEN MEMORIAL HOME & MARION ASSISTED LIVING CENTER

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FROM THE DESK OF

LAURA WILSON, ADMINISTRATOR

Moments in Bloom is this year's theme for National Skilled nursing home week. "Moments In Bloom" reflects how everyday acts of compassion, connection, and teamwork grow into meaningful experiences for residents, families, and staff. It celebrates the idea that big and small moments, when nurtured, can flourish to help residents live life to the fullest and with purpose. National Skilled nursing home week will be held from May 10-16.

Just as flowers begin to blossom, so do the connections we share with one another. Whether it's a friendly conversation in the hallway, laughter during an activity, or the quiet comfort of sitting with a loved one, these small but powerful moments are what truly make our Tieszen Memorial Home community flourish.

This season, we look forward to filling our days with activities inspired by spring. From arts and crafts that bring out the colors of blooming gardens to music that lifts the spirit, there are many opportunities for residents to express creativity and enjoy the beauty around them. Getting outside when the weather permits will offer a chance to soak in fresh air and sunshine.

Moments in Bloom is also a time to reflect. Just like a garden, each of us has experienced seasons of change, myself included. This will be my first Mother's Day without my mom and getting through this first year of seasons brings back all those memories that you don't necessarily think are a big deal, until the memory is all you have. Each of our residents carry with them rich histories, stories, and wisdom that continue to inspire those around them. We celebrate not only the present moments, but the lives that have blossomed in so many ways.

Families, friends, and volunteers are an important part of this season. Your visits mean the world to our residents and these connections help nurture the sense of belonging that makes our community feel like home.



Families we need your help....

*We would love your help! We are asking families to bring in a **senior picture or graduation photo** of your loved one. We would like to display these special memories for everyone to enjoy during graduation week. Please send to Amy at aabbas@tieszenhome.com or bring a copy in and we can scan it. Please include high school and graduation year.

*The theme for National Skilled Nursing home week is Moments in Bloom. To help us celebrate each resident, we are asking families to answer a couple of questions about your loved one.

Please let Amy know:
*How many children they have?
*Year they were married?
*Favorite family moment?
*What is something that makes them smile?
*What is something they are known for?
*What is something they are passionate about?
*Fun fact about the family.
*Where did they grow up at?
*What did they do for a job?
*What is something they are proud of?
Anything else you want to share?

These details help us highlight their memories and achievements. We appreciate your time and support!

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We had 5 Easter bunnies come and deliver Easter baskets to each resident. Thank you Kinley, Jeb, Charli, McKenna, and Kolsyn.



Reminders:

***Dr Appointments:**

We kindly ask families to keep us informed of any upcoming doctor appointments for your loved one. Sharing appointment details (date, time, provider, and any special instructions) helps us ensure proper coordination of care, transportation, and follow-up. Please notify Amy at the front desk as soon as appointments are scheduled. Paperwork will be sent to each appointment. Thank you for helping us provide the best care possible.

***Beauty Shop**

To help us keep appointments organized and ensure all residents are properly scheduled, we kindly ask that any communication for the beautician go through the front desk. If you would like to request services, make changes, or share specific instructions, please contact the front desk and our team will make sure the information is passed along. This helps us avoid missed messages and ensures your loved one receives the services they need. This process also helps ensure the beautician is not contacted during her time off. Thank you for your cooperation and support!

***Fun little creatures**

As the weather warms up, we sometimes see more ants around the building. To help keep everyone comfortable and prevent unwanted visitors, we kindly ask that food be kept in sealed containers and not stored in resident rooms whenever possible. This small step helps us keep rooms clean and pest-free. Thank you for helping us create a pleasant environment for everyone!

***Spring Cleaning**

With spring here, we are doing a little "closet refresh" for our residents. We would love your help when you visit! If you have a chance, please look through your loved one's closet and:

- Remove any clothes that no longer fit
- Take home seasonal items not needed right now
- Check that clothing is labeled with their name
- Let us know if anything appears to be missing
- Bring in a few updated spring/summer outfits if needed

Keeping closets organized helps us ensure your loved one has comfortable, properly fitting clothing available each day. Thank you so much for your help and for working with us to keep things tidy and easy to manage!

***Outside Time**

Residents are welcome to enjoy the outdoors whenever they choose. Many like to spend time outside getting fresh air, and some may even take a stroll around town using their motorized scooters. We encourage independence while ensuring safety and awareness.

April 20th is National Volunteer Day

Our volunteers are a special part of our family. The time you spend visiting, listening, and engaging with residents creates moments that matter more than you may ever know. Thank you for sharing your compassion and for helping make our community a warm and welcoming place.

April 22nd is Administrative Professional Day:

On Administrative Professionals Day, we would like to recognize and thank the individuals who help keep everything running smoothly behind the scenes. From answering phones and greeting families to coordinating schedules and supporting staff, your dedication does not go unnoticed. Thank you for your organization, kindness, and the many ways you support our residents, families, and team each day!

April 30th is National Hairstylist Day

Happy Hairstylist Day to Jen, Libby and Emma. You know how to keep us looking sharp and feeling great! Thank you for the smiles, the chats, and the extra boost of confidence you give our residents. You help make our community feel like home! Thank you Jen, Emma and Libby.

SOME FUN FACTS:

*Resident safety is a top priority. Our staff stay up to date on their CPR certifications and complete regular training to remain prepared for emergencies. Families can feel confident knowing your loved ones are in caring and capable hands. We have had 36 in person trainings this year.

*We welcome Gabi, Camdyn, Cameron, Kailey, and Alexis as aides. We want to welcome Brandon and Ann to the kitchen.

SDHCA Conference:

Our department heads recently attended a two-day conference in Sioux Falls for the SDHCA conference. During this time, they participated in educational sessions, shared ideas with other professionals, and explored new ways to enhance the care and services we provide. The conference offered valuable opportunities to learn about current trends, best practices, and creative approaches that can benefit both our residents and staff. We are excited to bring back the knowledge gained and continue working together to provide the best possible environment and experiences for everyone in our community.

May 6th is National Nurses Day:

May 6th we celebrate and thank our incredible nurses for the compassion, dedication, and kindness they show each and every day. Your hard work does not go unnoticed. You bring comfort during difficult moments, share smiles that brighten the day, and provide exceptional care to those we serve.

Thank you for your patience, your strength, and the heart you put into everything you do. We are truly grateful for all that you give to our residents, families, and team.

We appreciate you today and every day —

Caroline Anderson, RN Michelle Dick, RN Melissa McConniel, RN Lindsey Beckstand, RN, Erin Pulse, RN, Amy Shiell, RN, Teya Berndt, RN, Michelle Virtue, RN, Stormie Luna, LPN, Mayson McDugle, LPN, Harley Blue LPN, Kari Bridges, RN, Connie Nelson, RN, Kailey Olson, LPN, Sarah Cremer, LPN, Karen Hughes, RN, Brooklyn Jensen, RN, Michelle Buyck, RN.