

# Bethesda

*Bethesda Aberdeen: Providing Innovative Senior Living Options  
For Today's Family*

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## **Greetings from Bethesda**

What a year it has been! If someone had told me in January of 2020 what would occur over the next year and a half (so far), I would have said they were nuts. Our world turned upside down on March 13, 2020. I can remember checking e-mail that night around 9:00 pm and seeing an e-mail from Centers of Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) stating that all visitation and group dining and activities needed to cease immediately. We all had the question of how long, but no one knew the answer. Weeks turned into months; we missed our families and volunteers, our residents missed their families, friends, volunteers. We tried to get creative with visits, from phone to window to video. Our staff was garbed in masks, face shields and even gowns at times. The government told us from the start to focus on care over paperwork; I think we have more paperwork now than before.

What has happened around Bethesda in the past year plus? We now have an enclosed chapel area. We have started Chapel again, but also use this area for our indoor patio visits. We have new tabletops and chairs in the dining room. With one of the regulations of being able to communicate to all our families, we have implemented an automated phone call system. We have re-implemented our restorative exercise/well being program. There have been some changes in our dining room with food service to move more towards restaurant style serving (more changes coming soon).

We appreciate everyone's patience while we try and find our new normal. Please continue to look for updates on our website: [www.aberdeenbethesda.org](http://www.aberdeenbethesda.org). It has been great seeing all of you again.

*In Christ's Love,  
Scott Eisenbeisz  
CEO/Administrator*



# Bethesda Intergenerational Enrichment Center

*at the KO LEE Building on Bethesda's Campus*

As Bethesda continues to provide quality care options for all ages, the development of the Bethesda Intergenerational Enrichment Center came to fruition. This care model encourages the adults participating in our Day Break Services program and the children enrolled in the Bethesda Learning Academy to interact in various activities throughout the day under one roof.

At the Enrichment Center, children and adults will have their own separate areas but then come together for activities, events, and meals. Each program will provide developmentally appropriate programming and materials. Intergenerational work has the potential to bring ages, races and cultures together to support policies and practices that empower all individuals to contribute to their communities and society. Bethesda sees the importance of sharing valuable time by bringing all ages together.



# Bethesda Learning Academy O.S.T Program

Starting in summer of 2021, Bethesda will start offering an O.S.T. Program (Out of School Time) for children Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Activities at the O.S.T Program will include:

- Homework assistance
- S.T.E.M
- Physical fitness
- Arts and crafts
- Outside time
- Intergenerational activities
- Healthy snacks and meals



After school transportation will be provided for May Overby students enrolled in our program at no additional charge.

***For more information or to enroll in the O.S.T. Program, contact April Wirth at 605-225-7596.***

## COVID-19: Bethesda Policy, Testing and Visitor Updates

Beginning April 13th, 2021, we are excited to announce indoor room visits to **family only**.

Visits must be scheduled by noon the day prior by calling 605-377-2722. To read the full updated policy regarding testing and visitor updates, please visit our website at [www.aberdeenbethesda.org](http://www.aberdeenbethesda.org) and click on the "News" tab.

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# Celebrating National Skilled Nursing Care Week

May 9th-May 15th

Monday, May 10th: GI Generation

Tuesday, May 11th: Silent Generation

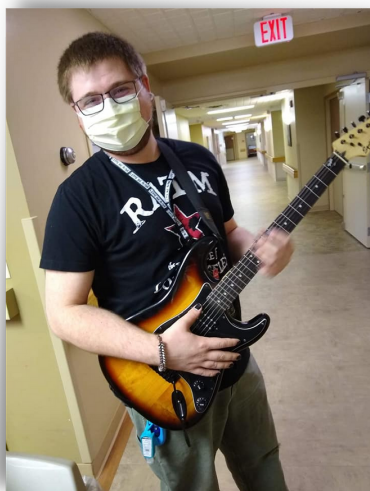
Wednesday, May 12th: Baby Boomers

Thursday, May 13th: Generation X

Friday, May 14th: Millennials



Our staff have continued to provide excellent care to the residents at Bethesda! We were thrilled to have the chance to celebrate them and all the good they accomplish!





**Thank you** to our many donors who graciously provide gifts to Bethesda Aberdeen. In this edition, we gratefully acknowledge gifts given from **June 3rd, 2020 through June 14th, 2021**. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of each donor's name and gift! If your name has been omitted or spelled incorrectly, please accept our apologies and notify us at 605-225-7580 or email [info@aberdeenbethesda.org](mailto:info@aberdeenbethesda.org).

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by Nancy Yada

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by Jean Foss  
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In Memory of Arlowine Dahme  
by Howard Dahme  
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#### **Sweet Corn for Fair Week**

Neil Foote  
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Terry Severson  
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Pam Crossley

#### **Lap Robes**

Ardell Saylor  
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#### **Pumpkins and Cornstalks**

Judy Bretsch

#### **Coloring Books, Word Searches, Magazines & Puzzles**

Rita Rohweder  
Deb Haak  
In Honor of Esther Aman  
by Leroy Aman  
Steph Daly & CHS Super Study

#### **Peanuts for Happy Hour**

In Honor of Harry & Fern Preston  
by Patrick Preston  
by Cindy Stern

#### **Christmas Cards for Residents & Staff**

Matt Bockorny  
NSU TRIO Student Support  
Services  
Mrs. Glanzer & CHS Geometry  
Class  
Mrs. Hanley & CC Lee/OM Tiffany  
Lincoln Elementary K-5th Grade

#### **Thanksgiving Bags for Residents**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

#### **Cards, Snowmen & Reindeer Treats for Residents**

Kelsey Scarborough & Holgate  
Middle School

#### **Cut Out Christmas Cookies**

Avera At Home

#### **Cards and Gifts for Residents**

by Ralph & Jan Borge  
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#### **Sock Snowman Gifts for Residents**

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**Miscellaneous**

In Memory of Doris Larson  
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By Annette Leberman

In Memory of Dean Boekelheide  
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In Memory of Irene Kopetsky  
By Gary Kopetsky

In Memory of Janice Snyder  
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Whitney Pearson

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4H Club  
Marilyn Bender & Warner School

**Bears**

In Honor of Katherine Moen  
By Jane Moen

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## BETHESDA ABERDEEN

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Bethesda Senior Living is a not-for-profit  
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