

# Bethesda

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

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## **Greetings from Bethesda**

Greetings from Bethesda! I was hoping that we would not have to discuss COVID-19 again, but it seems it has made a comeback this summer. We continue to work with the CDC, CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) and the SD Department of Health. We are strongly encouraging all residents and families to consider making sure they are up to date with vaccinations. Up to date means a person has had their first vaccine series and two additional boosters. With our current outbreak, we are seeing those residents who are up to date having zero to mild symptoms. Those who are not up to date are seeing a few more symptoms. If you would like to get your resident up to date on their COVID-19 vaccines or have questions about the COVID-19 boosters, please contact Stephanie Herman, Infection Control Preventionist.

We have recently expanded our Life Enhancement staff, so we are able to offer more activities. Activities will also be available later in the day and into the evening. The staff have been forming

different clubs for our residents to join (i.e., card, gardening, craft). This has been a wonderful addition to Bethesda as the residents can choose which club or clubs they would like to join. The Life Enhancement staff has also worked hard on expanding the seating area in the courtyard and the memorial garden for the residents to enjoy the outdoors.

Bethesda Towne Square celebrated its 25th anniversary in July. While we did not do a public open house, we did celebrate with ice cream sundaes and donations to the Aberdeen Area Humane Society. The residents enjoyed an afternoon of sitting outside and visiting with those that came to see us.

A group of managers also spent a couple of Friday mornings at the Salvation Army packing lunches for the Feed the Kids program. One of my goals for 2023 is to have opportunities for Bethesda to give back the community we serve.

**Blessings,**  
*Scott*



# INTRODUCING *PAST THYMES*

As we previewed in our last newsletter, we have brought some exciting changes to our dining room and meal options for our residents. We are now serving meals in our restaurant, Past Thymes, where residents have the choice to order from an all-day menu, a meal-specific menu or choose the special of the day. Each resident's menu options are catered to their specific dietary requirements.



## Butterfly Memorial Garden Completion

This summer brought the completion of our butterfly memorial garden dedicated to Parker Syhre. We were blessed to have Parker's family come and make their stones for the garden with our residents for an afternoon activity.





# US Department of Veteran's Affairs Designates Bethesda Adult Services as In-Network Provider

The United States Department of Veteran's Affairs works to ensure eligible Veterans and their beneficiaries gain access to timely, high-quality care through the continued use of their Community Care Network (CCN). The VA Community Care Network directly works with community providers to ensure those eligible for services have quick access to care in their local communities. Bethesda Adult Services, comprised of Adult Day Services and Help at Home, is now an in-network provider through the CCN network and can provide services to eligible Veterans and their beneficiaries.

Hourly rates are available to meet each family's daily care needs. To learn more about the options available to you through insurance, VA coverage or other funding assistance, please contact Bethesda at 605-225-7602 or visit [www.aberdeenbethesda.org](http://www.aberdeenbethesda.org).



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# Build Dakota Scholarship Recipients

Bethesda Home of Aberdeen is proud to be an industry partner with the Build Dakota Scholarship Fund and sponsor two of our employees in their pursuit of nursing degrees. Gabby and Paige will be attending Southeast Technical College in Sioux Falls, SD for the Licensed Practical Nursing Program. Congratulations to these ladies and we are looking forward to keeping you in our Bethesda family!



# Parkside Retirement Community

## *RENOVATION UPDATE*

Parkside Retirement Community has been working to update both one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments throughout the facility. We have completed renovations on 3 new two-bedroom, one and a half bathroom apartments, 3 one-bedroom apartments and 4 standard two-bedroom apartments. Additions to the renovated apartments include a dishwasher, mounted microwaves, granite countertops and new flooring throughout the apartment.

For availability information, please contact Amber Biegler at (605) 225-7900 or email [amberbiegler@aberdeenthethesda.org](mailto:amberbiegler@aberdeenthethesda.org).



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TOWNE SQUARE

## 25th Anniversary



We celebrated 25 years of serving the Aberdeen and surrounding community in July! As part of our anniversary celebration, we hosted musical entertainment for the residents, tasted some gourmet hot dogs with Dempsey's hot dog cart and collected donations for the Aberdeen Area Humane Society. We are proud to help give back to the community that we love so much!

**Thank you** to our many donors who graciously provide gifts to Bethesda Aberdeen. In this edition, we gratefully acknowledge gifts given from **January 1st, 2022 through June 30th, 2022**. 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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**Activities**

Parker Syhre Donations for  
Butterfly Garden

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### **Supplies, Furniture and Clothing for Residents continued**

In Memory of Carol Rutherford by Carol Rutherford  
In Memory of Richard Davis by Wendy Gugel  
In Memory of Vernita Tuscherer by Darel Tuscherer & Tuscherer Family  
In Memory of Martha Zimmerman by Kim Zimmerman

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In Honor of Maude Smith by Susan Spear  
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### **Candy for Staff & Residents**

In Honor of Naomi Alexander by Linda Ellis  
In Memory of Viola Lohn, Edwin & Irene Bretsch by Judy Bretsch

### **Valentines for Residents**

Cheryl Ochsner & Warner School  
Taren Tschetter & NSU Honors Program  
1st United Methodist Church Youth Group

### **Walkers, Wheelchair**

In Memory of Anna Rott by Brenda Bahr  
In Honor of Nancy Wells by Sharon Shipke  
In Memory of Richard Davis by Wendy Gugel

### **Blanket Fabric for Activities**

Patricia Holm

### **Large Print Books**

KO Lee Public Library c/o Hannah

### **Cards, Calendars & Crosswords**

In Honor of Marie Heggem by Kristin Kenny

### **Animal Balloon Towers**

In Honor of Vernita Tuscherer by Rhonda Swanhorst

### **Lap Robes**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

### **Easter Egg Hunt & Prizes for Residents**

In Honor of Naomi Alexander by Linda Ellis

### **Easter Lillies**

In Honor of Richard Anderson by Sharlene Anderson

### **Easter Baskets for Residents**

Tony Jones & Salvation Army

### **Nail Polish Dryer**

In Honor of Maude Smith by Shawn & Susan Smith

### **Prepackaged Communion Cups**

Judy Albl & Zion Lutheran Church

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The Bethesda Aberdeen Foundation is dedicated to raising funds and awareness to advance Bethesda's mission of caring for others. The Foundation works with donors regarding charitable giving options that best fit their philanthropic goals. Since opening in 1969, Bethesda has expanded services thanks to the generosity of those who enthusiastically support our ministry of service. At Bethesda, every gift is significant as we strive to meet the needs of today's family.

The Bethesda Foundation is designated as a 501(c)3 charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service.

Learn more about planned giving options at [www.aberdeenbethesda.org](http://www.aberdeenbethesda.org).



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## BETHESDA ABERDEEN

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