

# Life

A NEWSLETTER FOR RESIDENTS AND FRIENDS  
at BELL TOWER RESIDENCE

JULY 2023

## Celebrating July

1st

National Postal  
Workers Day

4th

Independence Day

5th

Cracker Jack Day

14th

National Macaroni &  
Cheese Day

21st

Pajama Party Day

23rd

Gorgeous Grandmas  
Day!



## Dream Flights™



Dream Flights is a non-profit organization dedicated to honoring veterans and seniors with the adventure of a lifetime: a flight in a Boeing biplane. This year, veterans of Bell Tower Residence are invited to participate on Wednesday, August 16th at the Merrill Airport.

The Dream Flights Foundation was created in 2011 by Darryl & Carol Fischer out of their love for seniors and the aviation world. Their goal is to make the dreams of these heroes come true and inspire them to share their experiences of how they survived through times of great strife and remind us of our shared humanity, our connection to each other and the value of listening. Dream Flights close the generation gap and opens us up to a clearer understanding of ourselves and our world.

The joy and happiness that the foundation brings to the heart is beyond explanation. It is truly something you must see and experience to understand, so we're asking all family members, staff, volunteers and our community to join us in honoring our veterans on Wednesday, August 16th and give back to those who gave so much for us.

Bell Tower Residence will be providing transportation for our residents and veterans however family members are encouraged to bring their resident to be a part of this wonderful event.

Any questions can be directed to Allison Fierek, Director of Life Enrichment at 715-539-1403 or [afierek@carraigehealthcare.com](mailto:afierek@carraigehealthcare.com).

## Staff Birthdays

9th—Steve A.

12th—Ellie H.

14th—Faith Z.

19th—Angel H.

20th—Sierra M.

21st—Cindy H.



## Staff Anniversaries

1 year—Destinee R.

1 year—Cheyenne L.

2 years—Becca R.

4 years—Alex J.

4 years—Jamie H.

4 years—Tina L.

18 years—Abby S.

23 years—Dan H.

28 years—Nicole G.

## Welcome to Bell Tower!



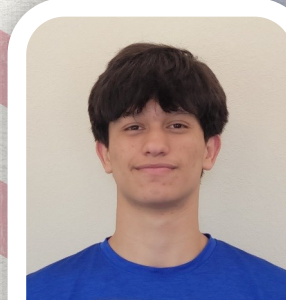
Linda, PCW



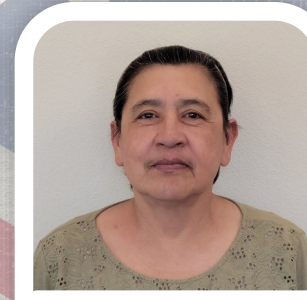
Angel, PCW



Theresa, PCW



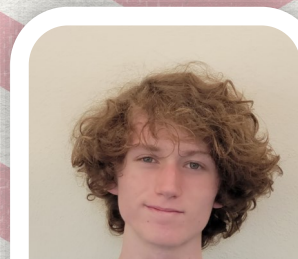
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Marta,  
Housekeeping



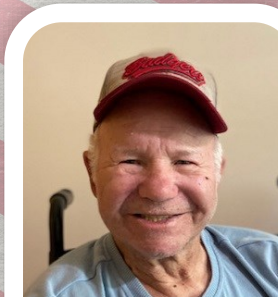
Angela, CNA



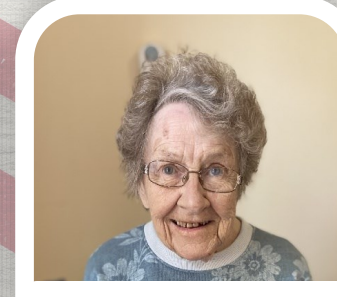
Ian, Culinary Aide



Phyllis, Chaplain



Phil  
New Resident of 2  
West



Leila  
New Resident of 3 West



Bill  
New Resident of 1 East





# Jay Ellen Brown

September 14th, 1926 - May 28th, 2023

Jay Ellen Brown, age 96, of Merrill, passed away on Sunday, May 28, 2023, at Bell Tower Residence, while under the care of her family and Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice Services. She was born on September 14, 1926 to the late Dr. Otto and Emma (Edbauer) Sievert in Merrill. Jay Ellen was very proud that her father was the namesake for Ott's Park when it was developed in the 1950's. Jay Ellen graduated from Merrill High School.

She married Linden Jaeger in 1948, who sadly passed away in a car accident in 1969. She then married James Brown in 1991, who preceded her in death in 2017. Jay Ellen worked for Lincoln County Bank for over 20 years and also for Lokemoen Optical, as well as being a homemaker and housewife. She loved shopping, playing Bridge and traveling. Jay Ellen was a strong-willed, patriotic lady who enjoyed socializing with everyone she met. At Bell Tower Residence Jay Ellen enjoyed playing Bingo and would join in activities and exercises every chance she had. She supported the Shriners Hospital for Children and was a member at Christ Methodist Church in Merrill. Jay Ellen's feisty spirit and love for her family and friends will be sadly missed.



## MISSY KANITZ

CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT



## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

JULY 2023

"MISSY ACTIVELY RESPECTS THE DIGNITY AND PRIVACY OF OUR RESIDENTS THROUGH HER COMPASSIONATE AND THOUGHTFUL CARE. SHE RECOGNIZES EACH RESIDENT'S CAPABILITIES AND SUPPORTS THEM TO MAINTAIN THEIR HIGHEST LEVEL OF INDEPENDENCE. HER STRONG WORK ETHIC AND WILL TO GO ABOVE AND BEYOND MAKE MISSY AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR CARE TEAM."

-ALLISON F., DIRECTOR OF LIFE ENRICHMENT



# FAMILY COUNCIL

TUESDAY, JULY 25TH AT 1:30

## ASSISI HALL

RESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL PRESENTATION FROM DEMENTIA EDUCATOR, SHERI FAIRMAN

"MEETING NEEDS : A TEAM APPROACH"

Providing care and meeting needs for people living with dementia is not a "common sense" task. As the disease progresses we have to continuously ask ourselves, "What is the true NEED in the moment and how can we adjust to assure we are meeting their THEIR need?" When we add a residential facility to our team of support, this question and answers MUST include everyone. Let's grow TOGETHER to meet the true NEED of people living with brain change.

A ZOOM LINK WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND IN PERSON. PLEASE E-MAIL  
KMCGARIGLE@CARRIAGEHEALTHCARE.COM



## Resident Birthdays

1st—Estelle K.  
9th—Anna K.  
12th—Mark D.  
15th—Sophie B.  
19th—Jeanne K.  
22nd—Mitzi K.



## Resident Anniversaries

1 year—Dolores O.  
2 years—Jean F.  
2 years—Joan B.



Assisted living & memory support

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Set on 12 beautifully landscaped acres with over 68,000 square feet of living and common spaces, Bell Tower is a friendly assisted living community where residents feel at home and live life well with purpose and dignity. We offer private apartments, religious services, activities, outings, delicious home-cooked meals and our caring and compassionate staff are always nearby to help.

For more information or to schedule a tour, please reach out to our Admissions Coordinator, Mikaela Meier.

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Next Resident Council Meeting :  
Wednesday, July 5th at 11:00am  
2nd Floor Activity Room