

## In Loving Memory



*Berm Stiver*



*Carolyn Whitaker*



*S. Dorothy Niemann*

This past month, we have said goodbye to several cherished members of our Bell Tower family. Each resident we have the privilege to care for holds a special and lasting place in our hearts, and the individuals we lost were no exception. They brought warmth, wisdom, laughter, and stories that enriched our days in countless ways. It was truly an honor to walk alongside them, to share in their journeys, and to provide comfort, companionship, and care. Though they will be deeply missed, their memories remain woven into the fabric of our community. We are grateful for the time we shared and will continue to carry their spirits with us at Bell Tower.

### Bell Tower Residence NEWSLETTER

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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 Plautz at [mplautz@carriagehealthcare.com](mailto:mplautz@carriagehealthcare.com)

A Newsletter for Residents and Friends,  
about *Life* at Bell Tower  
- March 2026 -  
Bell Tower Residence

### Celebrating March

- 1st- Welcome to March Day
- 2nd- Cat in the Hat Day
- 3rd- World Wildlife Day
- 6th- Employee Appreciation Day
- 7th- Do not Pass Go Day
- 8th- Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 10th- Tech Tuesday
- 12th- Dennis the Menace Day
- 13th- K9 Veterans Day
- 14th- Pi Day
- 15th- Crazy about Crafts Day
- 16th- Musical Magic Day
- 17th- St. Patrick's Day
- 18th- Western Movie Night
- 20th- Spring Equinox
- 24th- AG Day
- 26th- Outdoor Sports Day
- 27th- World Theatre Day
- 29th- Palm Sunday
- 30th- Jeopardy Day
- 31st- Oranges and

### St. Patrick's Day Fun is Coming

Each year on March 17th, people around the world celebrate St. Patrick's Day: a holiday filled with green clothing, cheerful music, and festive spirit. However, beyond the shamrocks and parades lies a rich history rooted in faith, culture, and Irish heritage.

St. Patrick's Day honors St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. Born in the late 4th century in Britain, Patrick was kidnapped as a teenager and taken to Ireland, where he was held as a shepherd. During this time, he turned to his Christiana fail for comfort and after several years he escaped and returned home. Later in life, he felt called to go back to Ireland as a missionary, where he is credited with helping spread Christianity throughout the country. Legend says he used the three-leafed shamrock to explain the concept of the Holy Trinity, which is why the plant is now a symbol of the holiday.

Originally, St. Patrick's Day was a religious feast day observed quietly with prayer and reflection. Over time as Irish immigrants brought their traditions to new countries the celebration grew into a lively cultural event. Today, parades, traditional Irish music, dancing, and festive meals are all part of the fun. Cities dye rivers green, families share Irish recipes, and people everywhere join in the spirit of celebration, whether they have Irish roots or not.

St. Patrick's Day is more than just a day to wear green; it's a time to celebrate heritage, resilience, and community. Here at Bell Tower, we're excited to join in the fun with festive St. Patrick's Day activities planned for residents, families, and staff.

As March 17th approaches, we hope you enjoy the celebrations, share a story or song, and spread a little Irish cheer. Sláinte! (That's Irish for "cheers!")

-Elizabeth Grubb



## Bell Tower Wish List:

- Roku TV for each neighborhood
- Sponsor a Zumba Class
- Sponsor a Birthday Cake
- Natural Color Nail Polish
- Sponsor Live Music
- Purchased Bingo Prizes
- Sensory Games
- Resident Social Hour Supplies
- Purchase Chocolate for Bingo
- Craft Kits
- 100 Pc Puzzles
- Puzzle Tables
- Board Games
- Craft Supplies

Amazon Wish List:  
<https://a.co/0ipUkcHF>



## Salon Closure Update



Please be advised that our on-site salon will be **temporarily closed starting February 20th**. At this time, we anticipate the salon will reopen within **4–6 weeks**.

We understand the salon is an important service for many of our residents, and we appreciate your patience during this temporary closure. The staff are more than welcome to use the salon for emergent needs of the residents during this closure.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

## Housekeeping Updates

Our Housekeeping Department is currently welcoming and training new team members on the proper Bell Tower processes and standards. We are focused on coaching and supporting our staff to ensure each neighborhood is thoroughly cleaned, organized, and well maintained. Attention to detail and neat presentation remain priorities as we continue working to provide a clean, comfortable, and welcoming environment for all residents.



## Dietary Updates



Our Dietary Team is continuing to focus on enhancing the dining experience for all residents. They are working diligently to ensure meals are served hot and are refining their processes to support consistent quality. We are also making every effort to serve items exactly as listed on the menu, minimizing last-minute changes whenever possible. Resident feedback remains important to us, and we will be reviewing and removing menu items that are not well enjoyed. In addition, we are excited to introduce a new snack and beverage cart during the PM shift to provide residents with additional options and enjoyment throughout the evening.

We are truly grateful for everyone's patience and understanding as we work through these challenges and continue making improvements.

## Staff Birthdays

1st– Isabele L  
2nd– Jess K  
3rd– Mikaela P  
6th– Brynn B  
7th– Jodi K  
17th– Sheri H  
21st– Maycie Z  
23rd– Jayden V  
29th– Alexis E

## Staff Anniversaries

Teri W– 1 year  
Jacob O– 2 years  
Natalia Y– 4 years  
Jess K– 6 years  
Paula S– 10 years  
Lynn E– 27 years

## Resident Birthdays

1st– Carl C  
3rd– Joan B  
9th– Margery P  
15th– Ev B  
15th– Alfred K  
27th– Larry P  
28th– Sandra M  
30th– Donna H  
31st– Willy S

## Resident Anniversaries

Ed C– 1 year  
Helen G– 1 year  
Betty M– 3 years  
Ruth R– 8 years  
Wilhelm R– 1 year  
Marlene S– 2 years



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## Welcome to Bell Tower



Isabella Kottke

PCW



Lauren Matthiae

PCW



Laural Marsh

Dietary



Mikenna Van De Weerd

Dietary

We are so glad you are here! Welcome to our Bell Tower Family! Bell Tower is still searching for Care Givers for all Shifts!

## How to Spread Happiness

International Day of Happiness is March 20. This day was designated to encourage inclusive celebrations, community and joy. It is a reminder that joy is our true nature and happiness is our power and our choice.

How do we celebrate? Spread positivity, engage in acts of service, kindness and gratitude. One small act of kindness can change someone's day. Smile, it's the easiest form of kindness and a gift that people will instantly reciprocate!

If you haven't noticed I enjoy quotes and seem to put them in my articles. The quote of happiness I am going to use is from a Chinese Proverb "If you want happiness for an hour-take a nap. If you want happiness for a day-go fishing. If you want happiness for a year-inherit a fortune. If you want happiness for a lifetime-help someone else."

I am lucky to be a part of Bell Tower and get the chance to work with wonderful people and amazing residents, may we continue to spread happiness every day. -Holly B. RN DON

## March Employee of the Month

Congratulations to Jennifer Aldag on being selected to be Bell Towers Employee of the Month for March. This was well deserved, and we are glad to have you a part of our team!



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