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Lutheran Health Services

JULY 2026

NEWSLETTER





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GIVING BACK TO THOSE WHO SERVED



Bethany Lutheran Health Services recently had the privilege of donating one of our buses to the Kanesville Honor Guard. While we are saying goodbye to a vehicle that has served our community well, we are grateful to know it will continue making a meaningful impact.

The van will help transport Kanesville Honor Guard volunteers and veterans to Honor Flights, as well as provide transportation to military funeral services throughout southwest Iowa. We are honored to support an organization dedicated to recognizing and honoring the men and women who have served our country, and we look forward to seeing this vehicle continue its journey in service to others.

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TENANT SPOTLIGHT: GLORIA HUNT

This month, we're shining the spotlight on Gloria, who has called Bethany Heights home for just over a year.

A lifelong Council Bluffs resident, Gloria was born and raised here and proudly graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School. When it came time to choose her next home, staying close to her children was important. Although she had always heard wonderful things about Bethany Heights, it was her family's visit that sealed the decision. After touring the community, they told her, "This is Mom." Looking back, Gloria says she couldn't be happier with that decision.

When asked what her favorite part of living at Bethany Heights is, Gloria laughed and said, "I don't think you have enough paper to write down all of my favorite things about the Heights!" From the welcoming atmosphere and friendly people to the delicious food and full calendar of activities, she truly appreciates every aspect of the community.

As a self-proclaimed "tenant ambassador," Gloria loves welcoming prospective tenants and sharing her experience at Bethany Heights. She enjoys speaking with visitors, proudly showing them her apartment, and offering advice to help them make the most of community life. Her biggest recommendation? Attend the meals and activities! She believes they're the best way to build friendships, stay involved, and truly feel at home.



PIECE BY PIECE:
PUZZLE SALE FUNDRAISER

We're excited to launch a new fundraiser in support of our Creating a Graceful Journey – The Compassion Wing Campaign!

Throughout the coming weeks, we'll be accepting donations of gently used puzzles from our residents, families, staff, and community members. Once we've collected a great selection, we'll host a puzzle sale where community members can browse, shop, and take home a new favorite puzzle while supporting a meaningful cause.

Every puzzle purchased will help raise funds for our Compassion Wing Campaign, which will transform a wing of Bethany into a dedicated hospice environment with private rooms, welcoming family spaces, and a peaceful setting that provides comfort, dignity, and compassionate care during life's final journey.

We think this will be a fun and engaging way to bring people together while making a lasting difference. Whether you're donating puzzles you've already enjoyed or stopping by to find your next challenge, every piece helps us move closer to our goal.

Thank you for helping us put the pieces together for a more compassionate future!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 24TH. 2026
Puzzle Sale Donation Deadline

AUGUST 5TH, 2026
12:00pm - 1:00pm
Lunch & Learn

AUGUST 11TH. 2026
10:00am - 1:00pm
Puzzle Sale

AUGUST 20TH, 2026
4:30PM - 6:30PM
Bronze Award Open House

Flyers attached

CONTACT US

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Bethany Heights: (712) 328-8228
www.blhs.care
info@blhs.care

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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

WE NEED YOU—JOIN OUR MISSION TODAY! TOGETHER, WE CAN DO MORE!



Contact Angel or Sarah (712) 328-9500
or activitiesbh@blhs.care

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HELP US BUILD A GRACEFUL JOURNEY

PUZZLE DONATIONS NEEDED!

BETHANY LUTHERAN HEALTH SERVICES IS COLLECTING NEW AND GENTLY USED PUZZLES FOR AN UPCOMING PUZZLE SALE FUNDRAISER BENEFITING OUR CREATING A GRACEFUL JOURNEY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN, WHICH WILL HELP CREATE A DEDICATED HOSPICE WING DESIGNED TO PROVIDE COMFORT, DIGNITY, AND PEACE FOR RESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

WE'RE ACCEPTING:

- NEW & GENTLY USED PUZZLES
- ALL PIECE COUNTS & THEMES
- COMPLETE PUZZLES PREFERRED

DROP-OFF LOCATION:

11 ELLIOTT ST. COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA 51503

ACCEPTING DONATIONS UNIL JULY 24TH, 2026



EVERY PUZZLE DONATED HELPS US CREATE A MORE COMPASSIONATE HOSPICE EXPERIENCE FOR THOSE WE SERVE.

LUNCH & LEARN AT BETHANY HEIGHTS

Empowering Your Future with Knowledge & Care



Date: August 5th, 2026

Time: 12PM - 1PM

Location:
Bethany Heights
Assisted Living
11 Elliott St
Council Bluffs, IA

Bonus:
All attendees receive a complimentary lunch and a free resource packet!

RSVP by: August 3rd, 2026
Call: 712-328-8228
Email: activitiesbh@blhs.care

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Bethany Lutheran Home: 712.328.9500
Bethany Heights Assisted Living: 712.328.8228

Join us as Jean Bohnker, Assisted Living Locators presents on:

Aging with Confidence: Financial Protection and Long-Term Planning and Support

Join us for our upcoming Lunch & Learn as we explore the "Silver Tsunami"—the growing wave of Baby Boomers reaching retirement age and the impact it will have on individuals, families, and communities. We'll discuss what this demographic shift means for aging services and highlight the many resources available to help older adults and their loved ones navigate the journey with confidence. Whether you're planning ahead for yourself or supporting a family member, this informative session will provide valuable insights and practical guidance.

Assisted Living Locators
Your local senior living advisor

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AUGUST 11TH, 2026

10:00AM - 1:00PM

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ALL PUZZLES RANGE $2.00-$5.00



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JOIN US TO CELEBRATE

BETHANY HEIGHTS ASSISTED LIVING

Bronze Award

WHEN: August 20th, 2026
4:30 - 6:30PM
WHERE: Bethany Heights Assisted Living
11 Elliott St. Council Bluffs, IA 51503

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE BETHANY HEIGHTS ACHIEVEMENT OF THE BRONZE NATIONAL QUALITY AWARD! HORS D'OEUVRES AND REFRESHEMENTS WHILE MEETING THE DEDICATED TEAM WHO MAKE BETHANY HEIGHTS SO SPECIAL.

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