



Resident Birthdays

Harriet L. April 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Anna Mae V. April 30<sup>th</sup>

Staff Birthdays

Yanisha P. April 1<sup>st</sup>  
Ashton D. April 4<sup>th</sup>  
Sandy B. April 5<sup>th</sup>  
Yobita P. April 6<sup>th</sup>  
Lora F. April 7<sup>th</sup>  
Joanna S. April 10<sup>th</sup>  
Emily B. April 12<sup>th</sup>  
Kailey R. April 15<sup>th</sup>  
Elyrose A. April 20<sup>th</sup>  
Samantha K. April 27<sup>th</sup>  
Gracie W. April 28<sup>th</sup>  
Jessica H. April 30<sup>th</sup>

Staff Anniversaries

Brooklynne H. 1 year  
Abigail H. 2 years  
Sarah D. 3 years  
Sheryl B. 22 years n  
Jody D. 25 years

New Residents

Forrest S.

We Remember

Bob B.

Mission Statement

*The Tuff Memorial Home is a Christian home with a heart. In Christian love, we provide heartfelt quality care to people in a way that contributes to their sense of dignity and self-worth.*

April 2025

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Hello April!

You may have noticed the new QR code posted around the facility! Simply open your phone’s camera, hold it over the code, and tap the link to access our **Tuff Quality Assurance Feedback** form. This is a quick and easy way for you to share any safety concerns, resident care issues, equipment problems, or general facility feedback. Your input helps us maintain a safe and comfortable environment for everyone.

The form will guide you through a few questions to provide details, and all submissions are confidential—unless you choose to include your contact information. Each submission is sent to Katie Kendall, our administrator, and Emily Baatz, our social services professional. From there, submissions are reviewed by our Quality Assurance and Assessment (QAA) Committee, where we take the necessary steps to address any concerns.

We appreciate your help in keeping our community the best it can be! Go ahead and try scanning the code now to check out the form!

If at any time you would like a paper copy, please contact Emily Baatz at (507)962-3275 ext. 2

\*Don’t forget to mark your calendars for the celebration of the Tuff Memorial Home’s 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> 11:30-1:30p.m. for residents and their families. More information to follow.



Department Heads

Administrator- Katie Kendal  
Executive Director- Jane Blank  
Director of Nursing- Dana Huisman  
Social Services Professional- Emily Baatz

Life Enrichment Director – Jocelyn Jacoby  
Laundry & Housekeeping Supervisor – Judy DeNoble  
Maintenance Supervisor – Ben Vander Poel  
Dietary Manager – Kelli Hellerud

# Highlighted Activities for April

## 4/3- HBC 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Activity

- Residents are so happy to play a fun game with the 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

## 4/4- Penny Ante

- This game is a great way to get to know everyone better by asking fun questions ranging from traveling, favorite foods to silly questions like least favorite chores around the house you had to do as a kid.

## 4/17- Maundy Thursday Chapel Service

## 4/18 - Good Friday Service

- Pastor Lori will be here to lead the services for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday in the chapel. She will also lead the Easter Sunday Worship.

## 4/25- Sow & Grow

- Residents will get their hands dirty digging in dirt and sowing seeds.

# Tuff Family Council

Meetings will be held on the first Thursday of every month at 5p.m. located in the Tuff Chapel.

Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>

These meetings are designed for families to gather amongst themselves to discuss topics related to their loved ones in a safe space. Stay tuned for meetings with educational guest speakers.



## Employee of the Month is: *Kynzie H.*

Employee of the month is Kynzie H. She works in the dietary department has been here for almost 2 years. Being with the residents is her favorite part of her job.

Her family consists of her mom- Karah, sister- Emileigh and brother- Keiton. Kynzie enjoys playing Volleyball in school at HB-C. Her favorite food is Chicken Alfredo. Fun fact- her arms and fingers are double jointed!



The month of March was filled with residents going on van outings to see the former HB-C school being demolished, a fun Spring Break Party to Hawaii and staff acknowledging Careers in Aging Week.



## ***Pastor's Page***

“How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word” ELW #796

What kind of foundation do you have? Are there cracks in it? Is it sinking into the ground? Foundations are important and give us what we need to stand on in our homes and in our lives. What kind of foundation do you have?

Sure, you may have the building blocks, but have you put them together? You know how to pray, but do you? You know how to read the bible, but do you? You know how to love your neighbor, but do you? You know when worship happens, but do you come?

In the Lenten season we are reminded of the things we lack, the area of our lives that need work. All of us need work! No one person has it all together and can go at it alone, we all need others to help us in our goal of becoming stronger, better believers in Christ.

We need to encourage one another, to help each other in faith. We need to pray for one another!

We all have areas to learn and grow, to help with building foundations in our lives and the lives of others. What we show by our actions, by the way we live our lives is seen by others. It shows others what our foundation is really about. In this season, I encourage you to show your foundation, maybe bolster it up a bit, clean it off and let others see your faith. It's not just something you keep to yourself, it's important to let your faith shine. When we do that, we glorify God and we help others know that our sure foundation is in Jesus Christ. I hope to see you at Easter Worship.

-Pastor Lori

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