June 2021

Making the Difference!



Lorí Merkle, Administrative Assistant

Lori started her career at Halstad Living Center in January of 1987 when her kids no longer needed her as much at home. She worked as a nursing assistant and trained medication aide for a number of years. When the facility became Medicare certified, Lori started working with billing in the office one day a week along with her nursing duties. Eventually, the office job became full time and that is where you will find her today.

Lori loves helping the residents with their financial needs or any other need they may have. She also enjoys working together with her co-workers to help enrich the resident's lives.

Lori has two grown children and she and her significant other, Peppy, have 8 grandkids to call them Grandma and Grandpa. She enjoys working outside and hanging out with her grands. Lori is an amazing cook and likes to try out new recipes but does not like doing dishes.

Thanks, Lori, for making the difference!

June Birthdays

In astrology, those born from June 1–20 are the Twins of Gemini. With a feeling that something or someone is always missing, Twins forever seek new friends and opportunities. They are curious, intelligent, sociable communicators. Those born from June 21–30 are Cancer's Crabs. Crabs like to retreat into their "shells" and enjoy being surrounded by loved ones at home. They nurture deep relationships and become loyal friends.

- 4th Janice (HH) 4th - Cassie M. 7th - Shelly S. 7th - Sonia T.
- 14th Steve
- 18th Leah L.
- 25th Dan C. 26th - Steven
- 28th Marjorie (HH)



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HLC Highlights:

June 1st – 1:15 pm Trip to Laughing Earth in Ada June 2nd – 5-7 pm Frybread Taco Fund Raiser at the LRC June 3rd – 2:15 pm Orange Julius on the patio June 7th, 14th, 28th – 6:00 pm Bible Study with John June 9th – 10:15 am Communion Service June 10th – 1:15 pm Perley Crop Tour June 15th – 12:15 pm

June 24th – 1:15 pm Halstad/Hendrum Crop Tour June 25th – 10:15 am Trip to Norman County Fair June 29th – 10:15 am Trip to Shooting Star Casino

The publication of this newsletter marks the second year of collecting words and pictures to send to our families and community. As I look back at the past issues, I am reminded of how many changes we have encountered in that time. We have gained friends and lost friends, learned new skills, ventured on new experiences, dealt with loneliness and togetherness, and ate a whole lot of yummy treats. Through all of these things one thing remains the same: we take care of ours. Not one day in all this time have we stopped caring for, encouraging, comforting, laughing with, crying with, or supporting the people who make up our ohana, our family. The people who make up Halstad Living Center are a constant and that feels really good. We would like to thank you for your support and encouragement through all the times, good or difficult, and know that, no matter what, we are here to provide the best care for our family and our community.

All it takes is a quick call to the office to let us know what time to expect you, a mask, a quick screen at the door and a wander to our room or the patio. We



Two Years Later

Come and see us!

would love to see you!

Ohana means Family National Skilled Nursing Care Week 2021

Ohana Monday Beach Ball Bowling Banana Splits





Tubular Tuesday Hawaiian Shirts & Shorts Most Outrageous Outfit Competition



Staff Appreciation Day Oof Da Taco Dinner Elephant Ears

Waikiki Wednesday Grass Skirts & Leis Tie Dye Mask Craft Volcano Eruption Fruit Kabobs and Fish & Chips



Thrilling Thursday Flamingo Fling Competition Bacon Wrapped Pineapple



Fantastic Friday Beach Party Deviled Egg Sail Boats







We had so much fun celebrating our family!



National Skilled Nursing Care Wo 2021 Years of Service Awards

5 Years: Jason Begg, Maintenance Director Kimberly Bernard, CNA Jessica Vanderplaats, Office Assistant

> 25 Years: Gracie Garza, CNA/TMA Shelly Stigen, CNA

30 Years: Lee Zawistowski, CNA







Apartments Available: 1 bedroom & 2 bedroom

Apartment Features:

- Retirement community
- Each unit has kitchen, living room, bedroom and ample storage
- One level with garages available
- Continental breakfast served daily
- Community kitchen and living room area
- Commons with fireplace and TV
- Exercise room
- Worship services in-house
- Connected to Halstad Living Center & Sanford Health
- Emergency call system and "I'm OK" program

Visit our website <u>www.halstadlivingcenter.com</u> or call Lorie Paulsrud at 218.456.2105 for more information