

May 2026

-SUMMIT HOUSE

Summit House Assisted Living, 600 1st ST, NW, Britt, Iowa 50423



Celebrating May

Upcoming Events

Arthritis Awareness
Month

Personal History
Awareness Month

May Day
May 1

Carl & Joan Nord/Singers
May 1 2pm

Catholic Mass
May 6 10am

Jeff Beuge/Gospel Music
May 11 2pm

Richie Lee
Fabulous 50's
May 13 1pm

Hospice Sundae Social
May 20 2pm

Pastor John &
Nancy/Church service
May 27 3pm

EASTER ACTIVITIES



The Easter egg hunt was a success.



Easter Bingo is always one of our favorite activities. Who wouldn't want to wear those cute bunny ears.

EASTER ETC.



Social time is always fun!



Jim and his daughter Cindy were enjoying the treats.



The residents all enjoyed the refreshments. They were yummy!

PRETTY IN PINK DAY!



Thank you ladies for dressing in pink to celebrate National Pink Day.

VOLUNTEER WEEK



Thank you to Father Paul for your dedication.



Thank you to Ray Christiansen for teaching us the words of the bible.

VOLUNTEER WEEK



John Heille and Nancy Beenken



Donna Rudisill



Marj Squire, Barb Witt, and Barb Marks.



THERE IS NO WAY TO BE A PERFECT MOTHER, AND A MILLION WAYS TO BE A GOOD ONE!

WISHING ALL OF YOU THAT TOUCH LIVES IN DIFFERENT WAYS A HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY.

THE NIGHTINGALE REPORT

May is Mental health Awareness Month—a reminder that taking care of our minds is just as important as caring for our bodies. As we age, life brings many changes: loss of independence, health challenges, or the loss of loved ones. It's completely normal to feel sadness, worry, or loneliness at times. But persistent feeling of depression or anxiety are not just “part of getting older”—they are important signals that deserve attention, understanding and care. The good news is that support is always within reach. Talking with a trusted friend, family member, or healthcare provider can make a meaningful difference. Simple daily habits, such as getting fresh air, staying socially connected, keeping a routine, or enjoying hobbies, can help boost mood and overall well-being. Even small moments of joy, like sharing a laugh or listening to your favorite music, can have a powerful impact on mental health. This month let's remember to check in with ourselves and each other. A kind conversation, a listening ear, or a simple “How are you doing?” can go a long way. Mental health matters at every age, and it's never too late to care for your well-being.
Shanda Mallory-RN

TENANT OF THE MONTH



Our May tenant of the Month is Lavonne Wessels Doane. Lavonne was born on the family farm on April 6, 1941. Her parents were Fred and Amanda (Meints) Wessels. She attended country school until the 8th grade in Meservey, Iowa. Her family then moved to Belmond where she went to school for a year and a half, they then moved to Klemme where she graduated with the class of 1958. After graduation she worked at the Belmond café for a short period of time before becoming the bookkeeper for the Ford garage also in Belmond. She met her husband Eldon at the Surf in Clear Lake. They were married in 1970 at the Emmanuel Reformed Church in Meservey. After they were married Lavonne moved to Eldon's farm in Thorton. Lavonne has one daughter, Laura and two grandchildren. Lavonne has lived at the Summit House for almost a year. She enjoys doing Jigsaw puzzles, music, exercise, crafts, reading, brain games and writing poems. Congratulations on being Tenant of the Month!

May Birthdays

In astrology, those born May 1–20 are Bulls of Taurus. Bulls show a steady persistence in endeavors both professional and personal, and after working hard, they are not shy about rewarding themselves for a job well done. Those born May 21–31 are Gemini's Twins. The Twins represent energetic communication and interaction. Curious Gemini's love to collect and share information. Witty and intellectual, they attract many friends, mentors, and colleagues.

Happy Birthday!

Linda Sanger 5/2
John Eekhoff 5/8
Mariann Cram 5/13

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Introducing Tammie Tapscott, our Employee Spotlight for May. Tammie lives in Garner, Iowa. She has three children, Necole, Nicholus and Tobias. In her spare time, she loves being outdoors, singing gospel music and doing interior design. My co-workers are an awesome team to start my work week with. My focus and concern are providing and serving the residents of the Summit House with compassion and love. The smiles and laughter from the residents mean everything to me.