

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

**February: We will be having a coloring contest for all ages. Please watch our website for the coloring pictures.**

## February is also Random Acts of Kindness Month.

**Send a card to a random resident to brighten their day. The address is  
312 E State St,  
Marion SD 57043.**

**Cards will be given to those that don't usually get mail.**

**TIESZEN MEMORIAL HOME**  
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### CONTACT US

Give us a call for more information!

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## NEWS ON THE HOME FRONT

TIESZEN MEMORIAL HOME & MARION ASSISTED LIVING CENTER

January 2026

### FROM THE DESK OF

LAURA WILSON, ADMINISTRATOR

As we welcome January, we would like to take a moment to reflect on the past year and extend our heartfelt appreciation to everyone who helped make it so meaningful. Our residents, staff, volunteers, friends, and family members are the foundation of our nursing home and assisted living center. Your kindness, dedication, and support create a warm and caring community where compassion and connection are felt every day.

To our residents, thank you for sharing your stories, smiles, and life experiences with us. You bring purpose and joy to our community, and it is an honor to serve you. To our dedicated staff, where do I even begin. Your commitment, professionalism, kindness and genuine care make a huge difference in the lives of those you serve. We are also deeply grateful to our volunteers and friends, whose time and generosity add comfort, companionship, and enrichment to daily life.

We also extend sincere thanks to the families and loved ones who trust us with their care and remain actively involved. Your encouragement, communication, and partnership strengthen our mission and help us continue providing a safe, supportive, and welcoming environment for everyone who calls our community home.

As we look ahead to the new year, we do so with hope and excitement. January marks a fresh beginning, filled with opportunities to grow, enhance our programs, and create even more meaningful experiences. We are committed to continuing compassionate care, fostering connection, and celebrating each moment together.

Thank you for being part of our journey. We are excited to what 2026 has in store for Tieszen Memorial Home and look forward to another year of shared memories, continued growth, and heartfelt care as we move forward together.



**BRIANNA STROUT**

### Making The Difference

I'm the Activity Coordinator at Tieszen Memorial Home, and I absolutely love planning fun and meaningful activities that bring smiles and connection to our residents. Seeing residents enjoy themselves and feel engaged makes my job incredibly rewarding, and I enjoy finding creative ways to make each day special.

I grew up in Sioux Falls, but I've always had strong family ties to Marion, and moving here over 10 years ago truly felt like coming home. I live in Marion with my two wonderful kids, Rory and Aryssa, along with our cats and dog. Family is very important to me, and I love spending my free time cheering my kids on at their sporting events. When I need a little quiet time, I enjoy doing puzzles—they're my way to relax and unwind.

I feel lucky to be part of the Tieszen Memorial Home team and to live in such a welcoming community. Every day is a chance to connect with residents, families, and coworkers, and that's what makes this work so special to me.

# ACTIVITY DEPARTMENT



On behalf of our residents and staff, thank you for visiting us during the Christmas season. Your thoughtfulness helped create special holiday moments filled with warmth and happiness. We were very blessed to have so many people sing Christmas Carols, bring treats, participate in festival of trees, volunteer for helping with activities and so much more. We appreciate you more than words can say. **THANK YOU!!!!**



Christmas and New Years parties were held.



## January 25-31 is Activity Professional Week

The Activity Department continues to enhance daily life by offering a wide variety of engaging programs designed to promote social interaction, creativity, and well-being. Through carefully planned activities, the department provides meaningful opportunities for residents to stay active, connected, and involved.

Recent activities have included arts and crafts, group games, fitness sessions, holiday celebrations, and special themed events. These programs encourage participation while supporting physical movement, mental stimulation, and positive social experiences.

Our goal is to create a welcoming environment where everyone feels included and excited to participate. We strive to plan activities that meet different interests and abilities.

The Activity Department plays an important role in fostering a sense of community and improving overall quality of life. With new activities and events planned for the coming weeks, the department looks forward to continuing to bring enjoyment and connection to all participants.

**The activity department includes: activity director Brianna S, activity aides are Emali, Carri, Jody does activities in MC, Anna does activities on weekends. Thank you ladies for all that you do.**

A huge shout out to these kiddos for helping put up and take down Christmas trees at TMH. We appreciate all that you did. Thank you Livewires 4-H Club.



The residents enjoyed being Santa's elves and writing letters back to the children who dropped a letter off.



We had lots of donations for the back pack program. Thank you to everyone who donated.