# **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

November: There is a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you find it, you will win fixings for a Thanksgiving meal. If not found by November 18 hints will be on our facebook page. Please let Amy know when found.

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December: There is a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will be a fake turkey hidden in Marion. If you will win fixings for a thanksgiving meal. If not found by November 18 hints will be on our facebook page. Please let Amy know when found.

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December: We will have a mailbox at TMH for letters for Santa to be dropped off. We will also have drop off box for the backpack program. Please watch our facebook page for more details.

# **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

November 2025

# FROM THE DESK OF

Laura Wilson, administrator

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, we're reminded of how much we have to be grateful for — especially the people who make our journey meaningful. Your trust, support, and partnership have been the foundation of our success throughout the years.

While we take this time to reflect with gratitude, we're also looking ahead with excitement. The year ahead brings new opportunities to build, improve, and make an even greater impact — together. Our leadership team as well as our Board of Directors recently took part in doing some strategic planning for Tieszen Memorial Home. In order for our organization to continue to thrive and meet the needs of the community, we need to constantly evaluate our operations that include both the building and infrastructure as well as the people, both residents and staff. While those things may be okay today, what does that look like in 3-5 years, 10-15 years, or even 30+ years. What is good today doesn't necessarily meet the needs of the next generation we will serve. We want to continue the mission that we have here at Tieszen Memorial Home and we need to make sure we position ourselves in such a way, whatever that may be, to do that.

We have been working very hard in reducing our need for temporary staffing. When we look at our staffing now in comparison to last year at this time, we have made significant progress in this area. We have openings for a part time nurse (RN or LPN) for our short shift (5-10:30 pm) or a 12 hour shift every third weekend. We also have openings for nursing assistants and are hiring cooks for our dietary department. If you know of someone who may enjoy either of these positions, send them our way!

We want to extend our heartfelt appreciation to you for being part of our community. Your contributions, feedback, and encouragement continue to inspire us to grow, innovate, and serve you better.

May your Thanksgiving be filled with warmth, laughter, and connection. Thank you for being an essential part of our story, and here's to a bright and inspiring future ahead.



#### CAROLINE ANDERSEN

## Making The Difference

I grew up on a farm near Dolton, SD and attended Marion School. I completed my RN education at the University of South Dakota in 1985. I started working at Tieszen Memorial Home in 1980. I worked in the laundry department, then later started in the nursing department as an aide. I have spent my entire nursing career at Tieszen Memorial Home, excluding a few months (spent on the pulmonary unit at Sanford Hospital). I have been in my current role of Director of Nursing since the spring of 1986.

In my free time, I love to spend time with my kids and grandkids. I have 3 children. Blake (Kimmee), Brandon (Kaylani), and Kaycee (Korey). I have 6 grandchildren who I adore! With 2 of my kids living out of state, time is limited with them but cherished!



We had over 75 coloring sheets turned it. Thank you to everyone who participated. The winners of the contest included: Raegan 5 and below, Ashton S 6-8,

Jerrilee 9-12, Madison H 13-17, Joanne B 18+



TMH will host Festival of Tables for the residents on December 22nd at 11:30 am. Whether you're creative, crafty, or just love being part of TMH community, your help will make a big difference. Please contact Amy at aabbas@tieszenhome.com if you are interested in decorating a table. Tables typically have 4 people.

We have a couple of new exciting things at TMH. We have a new awning that marks the front door. We also have updated our website. Please check the web-



site out at www.tieszenhome.com

# **EDUCATION**

Did you know we continue to train our staff?

The nursing staff recently did a training on wound education. Our medical director, Dr Rees, led the education. Our department leads recently participated in a strategic planning seminar. We have a monthly training that staff are required to do.



Congratulations to Jovie W and Kenzie G on getting their CNA certification.

### **Festival of Trees**

We welcome the community, businesses, churches, and families to participate in our festival of Trees. You can bring in a tree and decorate it starting November 29th, Please have all trees up by December 7th. Trees will need to be taken down by January 6th. The residents and public love to go to the chapel and see the beautiful trees. Any questions please reach out to Brianna in activities.

The chapel will be open to the public.

If you would like to help deliver meals on wheels. We are looking for a volunteer one Friday a month. Please contact Amy if you are available.

## LOOKING FOR THAT PERFECT GIFT.....

Looking for a thoughtful gift that's always the perfect fit? We offer gift certificates for our foot clinic, Meals on Wheels, beauty shop, and the wellness center. You can make holiday giving easy and meaningful. Available in any amount. We also have crocheted washcloths and scrubby made by a resident for sale.

Please visit with Amy if you have questions or would like to purchase a gift certificate.