### September 2021

Morning Star Village
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## Assisted Living Week to Be Celebrated at Morning Star Village

National Assisted Living Week was established in 1995 to encourage assisted living communities to not only offer a variety of events and activities to celebrate the residents they serve but also to help educate the public about this important aspect of long term care. This year's theme is "Compassion, Community, Caring" and we have a week of fun filled activities and events to present to our residents.

## Here is a sneak preview of a few highlights for the week:

- 12th: Grandparents Day
   Refreshment & Social Hour & Grand Bingo
- 13th: Rock Paintings & Bingo
- 14th: Live Entertainment with Larry Higgs & Cocktail Hour
- 15th: Resident Council & Bingo
- 16th: Luau Party

  Wear those Hawaiian Shirts or Brightly
   Colored clothes
- 17th Bus Outing to Thunder Bay Grille and Resident & Staff Bingo Party



#### **AdministrativeStaff**

**Executive Director** 

Jane Stivers

Director of Health Services

Valina Ference

**Recreation Director** 

Latonya Thomas

Food Service Director – Rob Bennick

**Facility Operations** 

**Director** 

Randy MacDougall

Community Relations Coordinator

**Marianne Drost** 

WE WELCOMED THE FOLLOWING RESIDENTS TO MORNING STAR VILLAGE IN AUGUST:

ELLEN SMELSER VIOLA GRINDLE













# **News from The Dietary Department**

#### **Food Committee to Be Instated**

Rob Bennick is looking for at least three residents and three staff members to volunteer to serve on the Food Committee. The purpose of this committee is to review any resident concerns, compliments and ideas and pass them along to Rob. The resident volunteers will serve as a liaison between all the residents and dietary team. Please see Rob if interested.

### **Dining with Your Loved One**

Due to Covid 19 restrictions, vaccinated family members are unable to dine with their loved in our dining room at this time. However, they may make a reservation to dine with their loved in our beautiful private dining room (must be over the age of 18). Lunch and dinner tickets cost \$6.00. Please call ahead to schedule your meal at 815-484-9500.

### **Black Tie/Birthday Event**

Beginning September, residents will enjoy a special birthday dinner honoring those celebrating birthdays for the month. This will be a <u>formal dinner</u> (for residents only at this time) and residents are encouraged to dress up for the event. Residents celebrating birthdays in the month will still be involved in planning the menu for the event. Our first *Black Tie Event* is scheduled for Tuesday, September 28th from 5-6:00 pm, with music by Harlan Jefferson.