

Employee Spotlight



Callie Robins has been one of our amazing kitchen staff members since the summer of last year. She is currently a senior in High school and began working at Windsor Manor as her very first job! Callie was born and raised right here in Indianola along with her two sister- Kyra and Caitlyn, who is also one of our resident assistants! She owns two dogs named Jasmine and Ellie who she greatly enjoys. Outside of her studies, Callie likes fishing with her father, vacationing in Florida, watching great movies and making others laugh. She is only a month away from receiving her hard-earned High school diploma, which she considers to be one of her greatest accomplishments. As many already know, Callie is a diligent worker and always strives to give her best at what she does. Her hard work in the kitchen is appreciated by the staff and residents at our facility. When asked about what she enjoys most about her employment at Windsor Manor, Callie stated, "I like to see the residents every time I work, and I just love to talk to them." Thank you, Callie, for being such a wonderful asset to our team!

April Birthdays

Join us in wishing our residents and staff a very happy birthday!

June Wood	April 2 nd
Hannah Mathany	April 5 th
Chloe Chirch	April 19 th
Darlene Buckley	April 26 th
Elizabeth Mathany	April 27 th



These little whispers of Spring. In the dullness of that in-between time, when Winter is still lingering and the earth is anxious to revive, is when we all stop and appreciate even the tiniest of sprouts! I'm really challenging myself to simply slow down in life. To stop and smell the roses, in a sense. When I got to work one morning, I nearly missed out on the creation waking up outside my window. I'm so glad I took those five minutes to get outside, be still, listen to the robins singing and take in this incredible moment in time. Life is difficult, but it is also BEAUTIFUL!! Our God could have created this earth to be merely functional. He could have simply made the flowers without colors or the land without curve. He could have given us one sort of food with only one sort of flavor. He did not have to create the unique patterns on butterfly's wings or the intricate lacing inside of every snowflake- but He did! I really want us all to grow in this- to appreciate the handiwork that is placed into all of creation. Life is far too beautiful to simply just wander through it. I encourage all of us to live a life lived out of an adoration of all the beauty surrounding us- starting by simply admiring the little grasses that just came through the soil.

-Vanessa Ilitsky, AD

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Celebrating

April

April Fool's day

April 1st

Easter

April 4th

Donuts & Coffee

April 9th

Indoor Gardening

April 13th

Buxton Park Walk

April 16th

Earth Day

April 22nd

Summerset

Drive & Outing

April 23rd

Birthday Celebrations

April 30th

Resident Spotlight



We'd like to introduce you all to one of our newest residents, Ethel Morgan. Ethel was born in Summerset, IA, the oldest out of two brothers and two sisters. The young family later moved northwest of Milo. During 8th grade, she fondly remembers her teacher who just happens to be our very own Shirley McPherson (one of our residents!) After her schooling, Ethel began teaching at several country schools for eleven years. On August 15th, 1953, Ethel married Gaylord Morgan and together they began a lovely and simple life revolving around their farm. The couple raised hogs, cattle, sheep and sold milk from their cows to Anderson-Erickson's dairy company for 20 years. Ethel kept busy making sure that all the milking equipment was clean and sanitized. Polled Herefords- a breed of beef cattle, were sold later on along with their calves as a way of income for the couple. She enjoyed gardening, canning, teaching Sunday school, knitting, embroidery and a variety of different crafts. She also enjoyed collecting teacups & saucers and has had roughly 200 teacups as part of her collection! Now that the days at the farm have gone by, Ethel takes pride in her past students. She still keeps in touch with many of them to this day. When asked about her favorite part about living here at Windsor Manor, Ethel mentioned that she enjoys visiting with the people here and appreciates the way the facility is decorated. "Life is the garden; friends are the flowers." she concluded. Ethel, we welcome you!

A Note from Our Director

April is a unique month. There are many historical fun facts about April. Here are a few of them: George Washington was inaugurated as the First President of the United States on April 30th, 1789. There are quite a few notable historical people born in April, such as Leonardo da Vinci, William Shakespeare, and Queen Elizabeth II. The etymology behind the word “April” comes from the verb “aperire,” which means “to open.” It’s commonly believed that the word refers to the season of trees and flowers beginning to “open” or bloom. Those who were born in April have a diamond as their birthstone, which represents innocence. Their birth flower is either a Daisy or a Sweet Pea (we have a few bouquets of Daisies around the community). We are all awaiting the warmer weather, April showers and May flowers. Sitting on the patio and getting some tan and have a few cookouts. Winters are long in Iowa, but they are quickly forgotten once we get a few weeks of sunshine while admiring bright green lawns and blossoming trees.

Lyuba, RN, ED



A collection of Springtime photography to bring you all some inspiration! (above) Photo credits @Pinterest.com



Easter Sunday

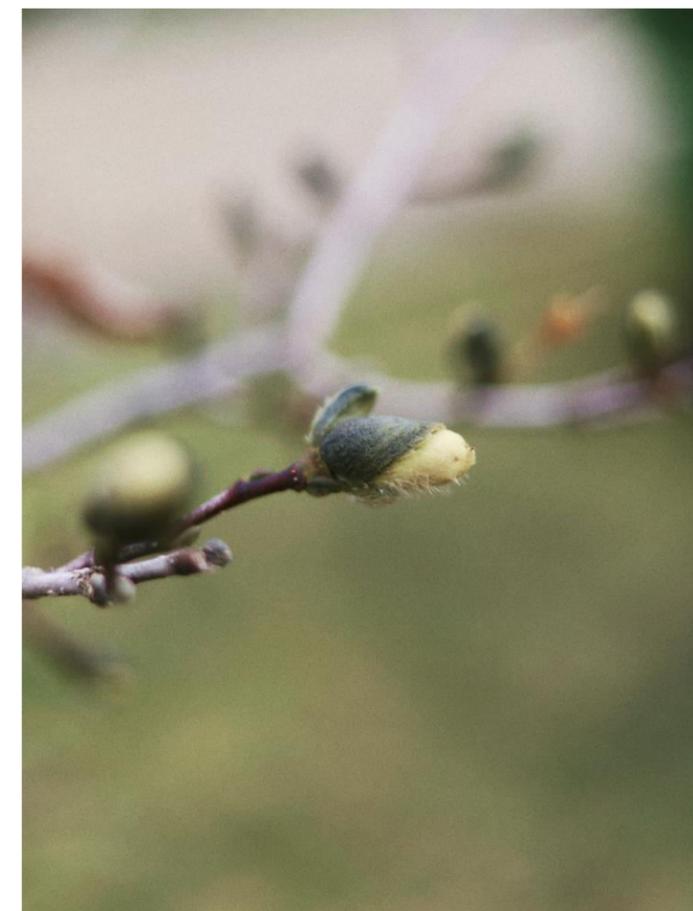
People all over the world take time to celebrate Easter Sunday. For many, Easter is not merely a celebration of bunnies and easter eggs, but it is a valuable remembrance of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead- which is the keystone of the arch of salvation! Remove it and the whole structure of the plan of salvation crumbles in the dust. The good news of the gospel is that Christ died for our sins, and that He rose again. The resurrection of Christ is the proof that His death atoned for sin. The wages of one single sin is death. One sin brought the curse of death upon all mankind. If Jesus had paid for all the sins of mankind except one, He could not have risen, for one sin would have been enough to keep Him in the tomb. When Jesus arose, it was proof that He had completely met redemption’s price. When He cried, “It is finished!”, the work was fully done. God was satisfied and then proved the completeness of the work by raising Christ from the dead. This victory should not only be commemorated on a special day each year but on the first day of every week—even every day! Because Christ did not remain in the tomb but conquered death by rising again, we can live in the joy of the full salvation provided by a risen, living, coming Redeemer! Now that is something worth celebrating! — Our Daily Bread Ministries, edits by Vanessa

Caught in the Act-ivity!

They say time flies when you’re having fun and that seems to be our experience this past month! Our residents have been keeping busy with an array of activities. Having something enjoyable to do makes the days all the more joyous as we anxiously await summertime!



Maxine holds up a lovely stem of yellow flowers in celebration of International Women’s Day, March 8th



A photo of a newly budding leaf taken just outside of our facility (above)



Our residents help out the kitchen by decorating cookies for St. Patrick’s Day! (Above) Sorting through and reminiscing on some old kitchen tools (below)



There is no time like Spring,
 When life’s alive in everything,
 Before new nestlings sing,
 Before cleft swallows speed their
 journey back
 Along the trackless track –
 God guides their wing,
 He spreads their table that they
 nothing lack, –
 Before the daisy grows a common
 flower
 Before the sun has power
 To scorch the world up in his noontide
 hour.
 –Christina Rossetti