

AUGUST 2026

NEWSLETTER



UPCOMING EVENTS LIVE MUSIC

August 13 at 1:30 pm with Janet Lieb

FITNESS FRIDAY

Every Friday at 10:30 am

BIBLE STUDY

Every Saturday at 9:30 am

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

WORSHIP & MUSIC HOSTED BY

CORNERSTONE CHURCH

August 3 at 1:30 pm

MASS W/DIVINE WORD

August 1, 15 at 2:45 pm

WORD & COMMUNION

August 13, 27 at 10:15 am

MEN'S COFFEE

August 28 at 9:00 am

 *20TH Anniversary*
August 23 at 12 pm



Check out our Facebook page for updates on upcoming events that are open to the public!

Happy Anniversary to Us!

Join us as we celebrate 20 wonderful years of River Bend! Since opening our doors in 2006, we've grown from 31 Assisted Living apartments into the vibrant community we are today, with expanded Assisted Living, Memory Care, and our beautiful chapel. We are grateful to our residents, families, staff, and community for being part of this incredible journey. Thank you for 20 years of support—we look forward to celebrating this special milestone with you!



20th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, August 23

12 PM - 3 PM

Event Schedule:

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM: Complimentary Lunch

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM: Live Music with Darrell, Karen & Connie

Delaney's ice cream truck will be here from 1 PM-3 PM

Family-fun including bounce house for kids

This event is free and open to the public.

We look forward to seeing you there!



• Staff Spotlight

Grace Knepper Universal Worker



Welcome Grace to River Bend!**

Meet Grace, River Bend's new team member and a lifelong resident of Cascade. She graduated from Cascade High School in 2024 and is now studying at NICC in Peosta. Grace loves connecting with our residents and enjoys hearing about their life experiences.

Outside of work and school, Grace spends time with her two dogs, Shy and Charlie, and enjoys working out, reading, and cooking. She's also a fan of Iowa Hawkeye wrestling and was on the Cascade Swim Team for 12 years.

If Grace could instantly learn something new, she'd choose to speak French or Italian. Her favorite travel spots are Colorado and Cancun, and she can't resist fresh blackberries.

Please join us in welcoming Grace to River Bend! Her positive attitude and eagerness to engage with our community make her a fantastic addition to the team. We are excited to see all she will achieve here. Welcome, Grace!

August Celebrations!

Residents

Laurie Gehl	Aug 14
Tim Driscoll	Aug 16

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Staff

Amira Bogovich	Aug 7
Samantha Wright	Aug 14

Anniversaries

John & LaVonne Strang	August 3
Nikki & Phil Manternach	August 30



September 13-19, 2026

Looking ahead to September, we'll be celebrating National Assisted Living Week with the theme, Shining Through The Years. Residents and staff will enjoy a week filled with special activities, fun, and celebration. Watch for more details in our September newsletter and on our Facebook page!

Resident Corner

This month we're pleased to introduce Elizabeth Anne Scherrman, who prefers to be called Betty Anne. She grew up in Dyersville and was married to her wonderful husband, Pat, for more than 60 years. They were married at the beautiful Basilica and built a loving family together, raising six daughters and one son. Today, Betty Anne is proud to have 22 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren, who bring her so much joy.



Betty Anne has always loved reading and cooking, and she enjoys relaxing with an occasional vodka cocktail. A lifelong dog lover, her favorite companion was Scout, who remains close to her heart. In fact, you'll even find a statue of Scout outside her apartment.

Throughout the years, Betty Anne was very active in her community, serving on the Dyersville Public Library Board for several years. When asked what she is most proud of, her answer is simple—her children and her family.

We're so happy Betty Anne is part of the River Bend family!

What a perfect way to spend a summer day!! Fishing, relaxing, eating an amazing picnic lunch, laughter, and most of all cheering for all the great catches reeled in!! We were so fortunate to have a picture perfect day to capture some picture perfect snapshots of the residents.



August FUN FACTS

- August is named after Augustus Caesar, the first Roman emperor.
- August is National Peach Month—perfect for enjoying fresh peaches!
- August birth flowers: Gladiolus and Poppy.
- August birthstones: Peridot and Spinel.
- The Perseid Meteor Shower makes August one of the best months for stargazing.

J O K E

What did one sunflower
say to the other?

"I'll always look up to you!"





*August
national days
word search
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from Always
the Holidays*

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POTATO DAY
MEAD DAY
PLAY BALL DAY
LAZY DAY
DOG DAY
WAFFLE DAY
DOLLAR DAY

PROSECCO DAY
RUM DAY
LION DAY
VINYL RECORD DAY
BOW DAY
WATERMELON DAY
IPA DAY
OYSTER DAY

DOLL DAY
DINOSAURS DAY
CBD DAY
KIDS DAY
GEORGIA DAY
CAT DAY
GOSSIP DAY