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# The PRAIRIE VIEWPOINT

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## From the Activities Department

January has slipped by us so quickly and now February the month of love has arrived. This month we will be voting for this year's Valentine's King and Queen. Voting will be held in the activity room on the 9th at 3 p.m. On Valentine's Day we will announce the winners at the Valentine Party held in the activity room at 2 p.m. Thelma Elgersma will be playing the piano and Harriet Van Veldhuizen will be providing her beautiful voice to our party.

As always our calendar is full of activities that make us laugh, give us physical and mental workouts, put our voices to work and give us time to socialize and share some of our life stories.

Our New Year's Party was held on the 29th of December. We rang in the New Year a little early, but had a blast celebrating; Harriet and Jeane Van Veldhuizen volunteered to sing us some songs.

We stayed busy in January. On the 5th of the month we enjoyed Shirley Brandt and on the 17th music by Denny Nelson.

Our January birthday party was a hit with the CBS Trio emceeding. Harriet, Jeane, Trudy and Gayle all did a wonderful job. Gayle Vander Woude also played the piano for our sing-a-long.

During the week of January 21st-27th we celebrated Activity Professionals Week. Monday we wore pajamas, Tuesday was miss match day, Wednesday was crazy hair day, Thursday we wore smiles and Friday we wore the color purple.

Another special activity was watching the Sheldon Dance Academy students perform for us on the 27th. They did such a great job performing.

*Until next time,  
Anna Wallace  
Activity Director*

## Administrator notes

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Happy February everyone 😊! Amazing how fast January flew by, but the positive is each day down is one more closer to spring and warmer weather.

In the office world of Prairie View, January was a lot of closing one thing and starting another, calculating numbers and audits, audits, audits...so been busy but not exciting.

I thought I'd take some time this month to update you on the Iowa Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO's). A brief 101...Medicaid is for financially strapped individuals in need of assistance from age newborn to 100+ and comes in the form of FREE medical care, food stamps, school meals, etc. It isn't something that affects everyone directly, but as Iowa taxpayers it does affect us.

A little background, the cost of delivering Medicaid services to Iowans has grown 73% since 2003 at more than \$4.2 billion in the last fiscal year, including \$1.39 billion in state general fund taxpayer dollars. In an effort to manage these costs and still provide the program, Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS) under the direction of Governor Branstad developed the Medicaid Modernization initiative and sought out companies to "manage care" of the current

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# Featured Resident of the Month:

## Alma Donkersloot

I was born on our family's Boyden farm on July 19, 1928, the last of eight children – also known as the “tail ender” since I was seven years younger than my 5 brothers and 2 sisters, all of whom I have outlived.

We were raised on a farm, two miles south of Boyden where I loved riding horses with my older brothers.

After I graduated from Boyden High School, I went to Samuel's Beauty School in Sioux City. I had a talent for styling hair and at the age of 11, styled hair of family and friends for 25 cents a head.

Ed also went to Boyden High School, but he went to the army when I was 14. When he returned from the military, he and I began dating. We were married in 1947 while Ed was attending Morningside College and I was working in a beauty salon in Sioux City. After he graduated with honors, he decided to farm his grandfather's farm in Sanborn, so we moved there and I started Alma's Beauty Salon where I worked for 50 years and raised five children. I tried to



retire many times, but there was always someone who wanted me to do their hair, dead or alive, and I just couldn't say no.

Ed and I liked to travel and he was always planning a trip. We went to every state and many countries abroad. Most memorable were Alaska, Australia and Holland.

I am now very happy at Prairie View. The kind staff takes good care of me and I enjoy all the friends around me for a game of cards or Rummikube.

My children take good care of me as well:

Mark has taken over the family farm and sells insurance; Leanne is in real estate business in Elgin, Iowa; Mary is a nutritionist in Los Angeles, Rhonda is a nurse in Sioux City. My first born, Lyle, was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident 10 years ago. I have 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. I have had a blessed life.

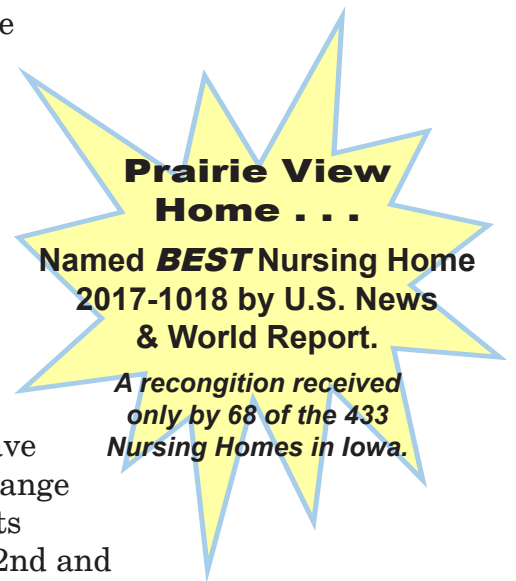
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Medicaid recipients. These companies are called Managed Care Organizations (MCO's).

Originally 3 companies were awarded contracts; however, AmeriHealth Caritas has dropped out effective 11/1/17, so now there are 2 companies; Amerigroup Iowa, Inc. and United Healthcare Plan of the River Valley, Inc. Individuals who originally had AmeriHealth Caritas were allowed to choose between the remaining 2; however, they both stated an over abundance of participants which forced the state to once again take care of Medicaid participants until a 3rd company can be chosen to contract with the state.

On a more positive note...I'm happy to announce that we have begun a re-modeling project at Prairie View Manor that will change several of our “studio” rooms into large one-bedroom apartments with enclosed 4 season room. Re-modeling started on January 2nd and we are hoping to be completed with the project by the end of February. If the new rooms are as popular as we think they will be we will move forward on re-modeling another set of “studio” rooms in the same fashion. I'll keep you posted and can definitely tell you we will have an open house showcasing the new rooms upon completion.

That's a wrap for this month...Stay warm and thanks for loving your loved one and letting us care for them here at Prairie View Campus.



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**Wendy Nelson  
Administrator**

# February 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>DAILY:</b> 11:25 Devotions 3:00 Social Hour Vote for King and Queen 3:00, the 9th				<b>1</b> 9:30 Bible Study 10:45 Small Group 2:00 Cards/Games	<b>2</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun 10:00 Word Game/Newspaper 2:00 Bingo 7:00 Dance w/ Shirley Brandt	<b>3</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun
<b>4</b> 9:30 CRC 2:00 Church To be announced	<b>5</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun 10:00 Word Game 2:00 Birthday Party	<b>6</b> 9:30 Happenings 10:45 Small Group 2:00 Bean Bag Toss 3:00 Primghar United Communion	<b>7</b> 9:00 Manicures 10:00 Price is Right 2:00 Arts & Crafts	<b>8</b> 9:30 Bible Study 10:45 Small Group 2:00 SCS Kids 2:30 Wheel of Fortune	<b>9</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun 10:00 Word Game 2:00 Bingo Voting for King/Queen	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 9:30 CRC 2:00 Church Immanuel Christian Reformed of Sheldon	<b>12</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun 10:00 Word Game 2:00 Happy Hour	<b>13</b> 9:30 Happenings 10:45 Small Group 2:00 Movie/Popcorn 3:00 Primghar United Communion	<b>14</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun 10:00 Word Game 2:00 Valentine Party	<b>15</b> 9:30 Bible Study 10:45 Small Group 2:00 Cards/Games	<b>16</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun 10:00 Word Game 2:00 Bingo	<b>17</b>
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<b>25</b> 9:30 CRC 2:00 Church St. John's Lutheran of Sanborn	<b>26</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun 10:00 Word Game 1:30 P.V. Auxiliary 2:00 Cards/Games	<b>27</b> 9:30 Happenings 10:45 Small Group 2:00 /6:30 Movie and Popcorn 3:00 Primghar United Communion	<b>28</b> 9:30 Fitness Fun 10:00 Word Game 2:00 Penny Pitch			

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## February Staff Birthdays Happy Birthday

**Please help us wish these staff members a Happy Birthday!**

Stephanie Zapor	.....	Feb. 11
Tanya Brown	.....	Feb. 17
Rayvn LeClair	.....	Feb. 22
Julie O'Connor	.....	Feb. 1
Audrey Schott	.....	Feb. 25
Colleen Bobzien	.....	Feb. 3
Jaiden Miedema	.....	Feb. 27
Donna Ceynar	.....	Feb. 3
Kaitlin Dagel	.....	Feb. 28
Anna Wallace	.....	Feb. 6
Jennifer Finney	.....	Feb. 28
Linda Stubbe	.....	Feb. 11

### SPECIAL NOTICE

It is the policy of Prairie View campus to admit, assign within the facility, treat and provide all services of the facility to all residents without regard to race, disability, color, national origin, age, sex or religion.



## February Birthday Party

Monday, February 5th at 2 p.m., in the Activity Room. Please RSVP the number of guests coming for the birthday party, to Anna at 930-3228. SEE YOU THERE!

### Residents Birthdays

Norma Niichel	.....	February 13
Elmer Stangeland	.....	February 18
Linda Johnson	.....	February 24
Donald Brown	.....	February 24

*We are in need of people who are willing to help with our activities here at Prairie View Campus. Contact Anna Wallace at 712- 930-3228 for more information!*