

THE ST. LUKE SPIRIT



July 2017

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Upcoming Resident & Tenant Activities:

- **Men's Group**
Thursdays at 10 a.m.
Riverview Terrace
- **Patriotic Piano Songs with Gayla Sorenson**
July 4 at 2:30 p.m.
Riverview Terrace
- **Hands of Harmony Bell Choir performance**
July 5 at 2:30 p.m.
Keelson Harbour, Spirit Lake
- **Hands of Harmony Bell Choir performance**
July 11 at 2:30 p.m.
Hartley Nursing Home
- **Rock the Roof**
July 13 at 6 p.m.
Arnolds Park
- **Hands of Harmony Bell Choir performance**
July 17 at 2:30 p.m.
Ruthven Care Center
- **Mix & Mingle**
July 20 at 5:30 p.m.
The Highlands
- **Music with Ray Meyer**
July 27 at 3 p.m.
St. Luke Lutheran Home
- **Rock the Roof**
July 27 at 6 p.m.
Arnolds Park

**More July 2017
activities are
available online at
www.stlukelh.com**

CELEBRATE 50 YEARS WITH US



Fifty wonderful

YEARS

Join us for a celebration!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017

Lunch served at Noon
Praise & Thanksgiving service at 1 p.m.

Weather permitting, celebratory
activities to occur outside:

**St. Luke Lutheran Home
1301 St. Luke Drive
Spencer, Iowa**

Discussion about constructing a home such as St. Luke Lutheran Home began in 1961, when 15 area Lutheran churches bound themselves together to sponsor such a home.

The organization's Articles of Incorporation were adopted in February 1963, and its original board of directors was elected. The former site of Spencer Golf & Country Club, on a hill overlooking the Little Sioux River along Highway 18 southeast of Spencer, was purchased in August 1963, for a building location. The cornerstone laying and commissioning of the nursing facility's first administrator, Glenn Neve, occurred in June 1966.

On February 5, 1967, an open house for St. Luke Lutheran Home was attended by over 3,000 people.

Addressing a need identified for the area, the St. Luke Homes & Services campus has continued to grow. The nonprofit, faith-based continuing care retirement community, located on a single 13-acre campus, offers a continuum in residential accommodations, wellness and care services. It includes The Highlands, South Ridge Heights, Riverview Terrace Assisted Living, St. Luke Lutheran Home, and an indoor aquatic center.

St. Luke Homes & Services' mission is "to enhance the life, health and faith of all who choose to live in the St. Luke Christian community."

SPRING CLEANING AT THE HIGHLANDS

▪ WELCOME

Barbara Steffen
Huntimer

Barbara Shatto

Barbara McDonough

Larry Stanislav

Lois Simmons

Raymond Hart

Kaylan Abel

Dixie Rigby

Elvinah Davis



This spring, new decks started being built onto all homes at The Highlands. Part of the building's roof was also replaced, as shown at the left.

JULY HOMEOWNER, TENANT & RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS

▪ BEST WISHES

Mildred "Middy"
Deegan

Marjorie Barglof

▪ SYMPATHY

Robert Hughes

Ronald Peterson

Sharon Wintz

Margareta Thiner

Helen Hart

1 - Richard Read
5 - Leila McDeid
7 - Hazel Christenson
7 - Judy Wilson
9 - Julia Walrath
10 - Arla Gould
11 - Richard Burgeson
14 - Warner Walrath
15 - Genny Bertness
15 - Mildred Klett

17 - Betti Oldenkamp
20 - Ila Agler
20 - Roger Hoberg
28 - Lois Knight



THANK YOU

We appreciate your tax-deductible gifts and donations. They enhance the lives of campus homeowners, tenants and residents and continue to help make the fulfillment of St. Luke Homes & Services' Christian mission possible.

- Glenna Lemke, of Topeka, Kansas, donated a \$25 memorial in honor of James Vollmer to St. Luke Lutheran Home.
- Roger Morris, of Spencer, donated a church pew for use in the new St. Luke Lutheran Home Chapel.
- Virginia Christensen, of The Highlands, donated a wheelchair for use by residents, tenants and homeowners of St. Luke Homes & Services.

WHY SHOULD YOU CONSIDER RIVERVIEW TERRACE?



"I would encourage anyone to move to Riverview Terrace Assisted Living. We have a great staff and a wide variety of food is served here. We learn to know the other tenants because we eat at a different table each month. This is a clean and pleasant place to live."

- Gayla Sorenson
a Riverview Terrace tenant since March 2016

ONE-BEDROOM HOME AVAILABLE AT THE HIGHLANDS

If you've been waiting, now is the time.

An updated, one-bedroom unit is currently available at The Highlands.

This 826 square-foot home is move-in ready.

If interested, call Mavis at (712) 262-5404 or (712) 260-1950 for a tour and more information.



WELCOME TO ...

South Ridge

HEIGHTS



Apartments designed for those 55 & up

- Beautiful studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments for rent.
- Features top-of-the-line amenities in a beautifully-maintained building.
- Located at:
1209 12th Street SE
Spencer, Iowa




• Contact Mavis at (712) 260-1950 to learn about receiving \$250 off your first month rent. (Valid through December 31, 2017.)

AT YOUR FINGERTIPS:

- A noon meal with others
- Fitness center
- Social activities
- Laundry facilities
- Library
- Indoor aquatic center
- Emergency medical response system
- Utilities included (except phone & Internet)
- Secured entry
- Campus shuttle
- Housekeeping & Maintenance services
- Ample parking opportunities

MEN'S BARBECUE



Great weather and delicious food brought men from The Highlands, Riverview Terrace Assisted Living and St. Luke Lutheran Home together the evening of June 15, along with friends and family members, for a summertime barbecue.

▪ NEW STAFF

Welcome to the following individuals who recently joined the St. Luke Homes & Services campus:

- Adrian Banashak
St. Luke Dietary Aide
- Taylor Albert
St. Luke CNA
- Hayley Tuinstra
St. Luke CNA
- Isabel Bustos
St. Luke CNA
- Nya Lo
St. Luke Dietary Aide
- Kylie Abrahamson
St. Luke CNA
- Josanna Heisinger
St. Luke Dietary Aide
- Jessica Woltman
St. Luke Housekeeper

▪ A NOTE

St. Luke Lutheran Home and Riverview Terrace Assisted Living would appreciate any small- to medium-size stuffed animals or knickknacks to use as bingo prizes.

WHY SHOULD YOU CONSIDER SOUTH RIDGE HEIGHTS?



"The people here are so friendly, helpful and have made me feel very welcome. I didn't want the responsibility of owning again, so I am enjoying paying the monthly fee that includes over 20 amenities and services, with no taxes or hassles. I feel like I am at a resort.

"Since it's just been renovated, everything is new at South Ridge Heights: The appliances, flooring, cupboards and paint. It's beautiful and I love it. I can't imagine living anywhere else."

- Barbara Steffen Huntimer
a tenant at South Ridge Heights since June 2017

CREATING RESULTS WITH THERAPY

Millennium Therapy Occupational Therapist Briana Swanson grins at the progress Jean Hadden, seated at right, has just made in strengthening and regaining the use of her left hand and incorporating it into her daily routines. After accomplishing this task, the pair also utilized an electrical stimulation machine, which helped Jean's nerves and muscles to "re-fire" after her recent hour-long therapy session at St. Luke Lutheran Home.



COMMUNITY CORNERSTONES

▪Bethany Lutheran Church

15 West 14th Street, Spencer
Rev. Jennifer Henry
(712) 262-2327
www.bethluthspencer.com

▪First English Lutheran Church

1311 E. 18th Street, Spencer
Pastor Paul Kaldahl
(712) 262-5598
<http://spencer-church.com>

▪Grace Lutheran Church

380 N. Rerick Avenue, Primghar
(712) 957-4795

▪Immanuel Lutheran Church

206 Terril Avenue, Terril
Pastor David Doellinger
(712) 853-6192
www.facebook.com/lcmsterril

▪Bethlehem Lutheran Church

207 Church Street, Royal
Rev. Dr. Mark Wilms
(712) 933-2229
royalbethlehmlutheran.com

▪First Lutheran Church

1525 Three Cross Road, Milford
Pastor Perry Aalgaard
(712) 338-4514
www.3cross.org

▪Hope Lutheran Church

206 N. Washington Street, Everly
Pastor Dan Taylor
(712) 834-2767
www.hopeeverly.com

▪St. Paul's Lutheran Church

60 N. Central Avenue, Hartley
Pastor Chris Nitzel
(712) 728-2711
www.stpaullutheranhartley.com/

▪Trinity Lutheran Church

9th & 11th Avenue West, Spencer
Rev. C. Peter Maisenbach
(712) 262-1287
www.trinitylutheranchurchspencer.com

▪Christ the King Lutheran Church

500 Fourth Avenue SW, Spencer
Rev. David Zimmer
(712) 262-2244
www.ctkspencer.com

▪Grace Lutheran Church

801 Hill Avenue, Spirit Lake
Rev. Dr. Martin Lucin
(712) 336-2446
www.gracelutheranspiritlake.org

▪Immanuel Lutheran Church

2300 27th Street, Spirit Lake
Rev. David Simonson
(712) 336-1010
lcmslakes.org

▪Trinity Lutheran Church

105 East High Street, Linn Grove
Rev. Rhonda Wykoff
(712) 296-4438

'TIS PARADE SEASON



The bus was cool and comfortable inside as tenants of Riverview Terrace enjoyed visiting with each other during the 33rd annual Flagfest parade hosted Saturday, June 10, in Spencer.

Be on the lookout for us again on Saturday morning, July 29. The St. Luke Homes & Services bus will be among the entries featured at the Tall Corn Days parade in Sioux Rapids. We'll be smiling and waving at you from inside the bus!

- St. Luke Homes & Services**
- South Ridge Heights
 - Riverview Terrace
 - St. Luke Lutheran Home
 - The Highlands

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Spencer, Iowa 51301

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If you are interested in visiting with someone about where to enjoy your retirement years, call Georgia Wrightsman at (712) 262-5931.

We're on the Web!
www.stlukelh.com

St. Luke Homes & Services, Inc.
"A Caring Community"



Governing Board

Frank Halverson
Roger Morris
Rev. Peter Maisenbach
Jerry Clausen
Gary Halverson
Jim Hitchcock
Rev. Deb Mechler
Dr. Dean Pingel
Sandi Schmidt

WEDNESDAY'S COFFEE KLATCH



Having coffee and treats at Carroll's Bakery, Spencer, is a regular occurrence for these women from Riverview Terrace Assisted Living and St. Luke Lutheran Home. Pictured from left: Thelma Mills, Judy Wilson, Elayne Grapenthin, Josie Cromer, Mary Eischeid, JoAnn Kemp, Carol Albers, Virginia Jorgensen, Betty Pothast and Mardelle Stroup.

HOMEOWNER OF THE MONTH

Real estate broker Richard "Dick" Hallett enjoys his family.

He also likes to work, and has passed this trait onto his children.

The realtor emeritus has been working since he was 12. By his senior year at Central High School, he'd transitioned to a position at the former Cudahy Packing Company, where he met his future wife, in Sioux City.

Dick joined the U.S. Army Air Corps in June 1943. The World War II veteran made 30 missions over Germany with his B-26 Marauder unit. The radio operator and mechanic gunner with the 598th Bomb Group and the 397th Bomb Squad earned a Silver Star for valor in the face of the enemy. His group received a record of five distinguished unit citations in one day during the



Richard "Dick" Hallett
at The Highlands
since May 2015

Battle of the Bulge. Dick was also acknowledged for his contribution in the fight to liberate France from the Axis Powers.

Dick attended the University of Nevada and Morning-side College. He married his sweetheart, Margie, in

January 1947, at the Cathedral in Sioux City.

In Remsen, the Halletts owned Dick's Café. Next, his vocational focus turned toward insurance. In December 1960, Dick purchased a building in Spencer and expanded his offerings to also include real estate. The entrepreneur also started building houses. He is proud of the homes he built, many for the elderly, in Spencer, Algona and Alton.

The tenured American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Knights of Columbus member is proud of his children, including the late Mike Hallett, Patty (Russ) Valentine of Orlando, Mark (Sue) Hallett of Spencer, Craig (Nancy) Hallett of Shakopee, Dick Jr. (Sheri) Hallett of Spencer, Kris Vodraska (Jerry Illg) of Spencer, and Lisa (Brad) Baxter of Scottsdale. His 16 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren also put a sparkle in his eyes.