



Ave Maria Village

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We Give Thanks...for exceptional care

Nurse Practitioners bring expertise & compassion to residents at AMV

In addition to the excellent CNA and nurses at Ave Maria Village, there are two Nurse Practitioners who fill a vital role and provide wonderful care to the residents we serve. They are Andrea Boerger and Holli Marquart and they bring their wealth of healthcare knowledge directly to the residents at Ave Maria Village.

When asked what she enjoys most about working with the residents of Ave Maria Village, Boerger says, "Working with the elderly gives me a great sense of joy and fulfillment. They are full of wisdom, knowledge, and life experiences." She adds, "Getting older isn't always fun, so I hope to be a light and a bit of positivity in their lives."

Andrea Boerger was born and raised in Jamestown, ND. After graduating high school in 2011, she attended the University of Mary, and then worked at Sanford Hospital and St. Gabriel's Community long-term care.



Andrea Boerger

Andrea shares that while she was working as a nurse, she noticed the elderly population was sometimes under-served and many times she wanted to incorporate some new concepts and treatments into their care, but was unable to do so. Andrea states, "I wanted to be able to do what I thought was the absolute best for my patients and their families and care them as a whole: body, mind, and spirit." It was at that point Andrea pursued her Nurse Practitioner degree, specializing in geriatric care. She then moved back to Jamestown and started working at Sanford.

Working with Ave Maria Village has been an easy transition for Boerger. "I cannot express how grateful I am for each and every resident and staff member who has made me feel welcome."



Holli Marquart

Holli Marquart is originally from Steele, ND. After pursuing her passion to become a nurse in 2003, Holli furthered her education at UND with a desire to become a stronger influence in the well-being of her patients' lives. Since 2017, Holli has been a Family Practice Provider at Essentia and she is

also a Wound and Hyperbaric Provider at JRMC.

"I have a true passion for the geriatric population and have served them for fourteen years as a nurse." Holli enjoys getting to know her patients and not only caring for them, but their loved ones as well.

Holli calls working with Ave Maria Village an honor. "All of the staff that I encounter while seeing residents are kind, caring, and compassionate." She adds, "They (the staff) make my job easier by always keeping me up to date on the residents."

Ave Maria Village's residents are in good hands with Andrea and Holli! Thank you for your care!

We Give Thanks...for you!



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During this time of Thanksgiving, I want to thank you, our friends and supporters. Your support has made our ongoing projects possible. Your gifts in memory and in honor of loved ones touch my heart as I know there are cherished memories and love behind those gifts. Your "just because" gifts inspire me because you are giving from your heart. Your in-kind donations are special to me, knowing Ave Maria Village came to your mind when trying to decide who to share your gifts with. Your kind words, emails, notes, and phone calls lift us up when it is so easy to get distracted by everything going on in the world.

We are thankful for the community and the many businesses and people who have donated food and nourishment for our staff who are working long hours in full Personal Protective Equipment to protect themselves and the residents in our care. It is a very trying time for everyone, but each and every day it is very clear to me why our staff are here: they love the residents. It's so reassuring to know those caring for the residents of Ave Maria Village have hearts full of love. It gives me a heart full of thanks.

As you pause to celebrate Thanksgiving this year, please remember how thankful Ave Maria Village is for you. --Annie

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Ardith Kleingartner
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COVID-19 Fund

Troy & Sheri Gunderson
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Don & Marie Olson

Good Shepherd Chapel

In Memory of:
Deidra Brown
Carol Kaiser

Hour Club

Kay Benson
Roberta Bohl
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CDs (Music & Memory)

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Denise Steele

Clothes

Grace Ottmar

Flowers

Eugene Sand Family

Masks

Pete Cato/KSJB
Jackie DeCoteau
Nancy Gardner
Mary Keating
Landa Kollman
Sandy Lambrecht
Brenda Mikula
Judy Sundeen
Char Syverson

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Judy Braunberger

Puzzles

Linda Finck
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Condos

Becky Johnson

Walker, Wheelchair, Commode, & Shower Chair

Jean Schwanz

Wheelchair Bags

Ardina Bentz

Wheelchair

Diane Bollen

Private Room Campaign Phase One

Ave Maria Village Volunteers
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Grace Walz

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In Memory of:

Mary Ann Bitz

Don & Maryett Hanson

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Paulette Webb

Betty Burgard

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Mary Jean Burkhart
Ardith Kleingartner

Curt & Darlene Goehner

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Mary Jean Burkhart

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Family & Friends of Lillian

Salisbury

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Claudette Smette

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Don & Maryett Hanson

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Private Room Campaign

Naming Private Room

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PLEASE CONSIDER INCLUDING A BEQUEST TO AVE MARIA VILLAGE IN YOUR WILL.

We Give Thanks...for wonderful volunteers!

Ave Maria Village was blessed to call Deidra Brown a good friend and faithful volunteer for many years. Not only did she share her deep faith with residents and staff alike, she could often be found in the Crossroads Cafe filling the tables with spiritual keepsakes and rosaries. Her laugh was as contagious as her love for God. In January, 2020 Deidra passed away, leaving many heartbroken people who looked forward to seeing in her each Wednesday at weekly mass.

Recently, Carol Kaiser made a donation to the very place Deidra spent her Wednesday mornings: the Good Shepherd Chapel. Carol shares, "Deidra and I had a unique relationship; we only visited at church." The two women share many significant connections: they went through breast cancer together, both lost beloved children, and they attended daily mass together at the Basilica. Carol sat in front of her there and they would trade Carol's homemade jelly for Deidra's blessed jewelry. She told Carol how much she loved giving her time to help with mass at Ave Maria Village. "She was a dear soul that loved her faith and Ave Maria!" We are thankful for volunteers like Deidra, and friends like Carol.



DEIDRA BROWN (TOP) PASSED IN JANUARY 2020. THE CROSS (LEFT) THAT WAS PURCHASED IN HER MEMORY BY CAROL KAISER.

We Give Thanks...for the residents we serve!

Orlee Howell, 102 Years Young



Orlee Howell is one of a select group of centenarians who reside at Ave Maria Village. She recently celebrated her 102nd birthday in September, 2020. Prior to moving to Jamestown, Orlee lived near Sidney, ND for 60 years, farming for 33 of those years with her husband, Vernon who passed away in 1984.

When asked what some of her favorite moments of her long life have been, Orlee doesn't hesitate to begin recalling some of her favorite trips. She has been to Europe, Canada (by herself in an RV!), Africa, Asia, China, Japan, and Hawaii to name a few places. The most memorable, however, were her trips to the Holy Land, including spending Christmas Eve in the Cave of the Shepherds.

Her secret to getting to 102? "I don't get concerned too much about anything." Now Orlee spends her days at Ave Maria Village getting her exercise by walking around the facility. In fact, she could probably tell you where just about anything or anyone is at AMV. She also spends time playing piano in the Good Shepherd Chapel, a lifelong hobby. "My favorite thing about being at Ave Maria Village is that I can do as I please."

You can't get to 102 without being asked what your life advice to others would be. When asked, Orlee imparts, "I've just taken things as they come--because of my deep faith in God."

We Give Thanks...for the Sisters of Mary of the Presentation!

Sister Giustina's Legacy



Sister Giustina Zanin

Sister Giustina (Angelica) Zanin of Sisters of Mary of the Presentation died on July 6, 2020, at the age of 96. When family members visited her at the convent, she was excited to have them tour Ave Maria Village in Jamestown. Sr. Giustina was Ave Maria's prayer sister and she was very proud of the facility, the staff and the healthcare ministry they provided.

The staff truly enjoyed meeting and visiting with Sr. Giustina. Born deaf, Sr. Giustina communicated by pen and paper so many notes were passed between her and staff members who had the opportunity to know her. Truly dedicated to Ave Maria Village, Sr. Giustina would request gifts to AMV for their annual direct mail appeal. Her family sent many gifts each year in her honor.

Sr. Giustina's brother Ray recalled a visit to celebrate her Golden Jubilee.

"My wife Barb and I have fond memories of our trip to Ave Maria Village. During that visit, Sister was very excited and wanted to take us to Jamestown to tour Ave Maria Village. We did just that! We were introduced to several residents and staff, who were welcoming and inviting. The staff members were engaging and answered all our questions. Overall, we found Ave Maria Village to have a very pleasant home atmosphere, and we were glad we had the chance to tour the facility."

Sr. Giustina's brother George shared about their younger years.

"Before she entered the convent, Sister worked in a sewing factory. My father and older brothers worked in the mines. There was a time when coal miners would go on strike and companies wouldn't let them work until they agreed on the wages they would receive. Sister supported the family until the strike was over. One time, I needed a dress shirt and she sewed a shirt for me that looked professionally made, like it was bought at the store. When I graduated from high school, I didn't have money for a class ring and Sister gave me \$15 to pay for the ring. I was forever grateful. She was special."

When Sr. Giustina passed away, her family wanted to do something special to honor her legacy. As a family, it was decided they would give gifts to Ave Maria Village to purchase a paver in Ave Maria's courtyard as well as a place on the Memorial Plaque near the front office. Her family's meaningful contributions in Sr. Giustina's memory are a true testament to her love for Ave Maria Village and our mission to provide loving, respectful care to the residents we serve.



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Thank you to all the Ave Maria Village residents' loved ones who have shown their support through kind words and delicious treats during this COVID-19 journey!

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We Give Thanks...for our team!

ND Long Term Care Association 2020 Caregiver Awards

The Caregiver Award Program honors & recognizes individuals working in the long term care profession who substantially enhance the quality of life for residents & tenants in ND long term care facilities. Congratulations to the staff of Ave Maria Village who were nominated this year!

"Jason Anderson is very helpful in the therapy program"

"Lisa Entzminger is wonderful to our relative. For her birthday, Lisa gave her a shirt & a beautiful necklace!"

"Denise Hillstrom takes the time to listen to both my mother & I & we are most grateful."

"Deacon Ken Votava is a wonderful & caring Christian man."

"Jessica Nygaard completely knows my husband's needs. She encourages him to believe he can do the task at hand."

"Tena Stickel is a special person. I hear her tell residents how nice they look, their hair is pretty & always asking if they need help. She is a truly a special angel."

"Peggy Lehman called to let me know my mother had fallen & assure me she was ok. I am most thankful for Peggy!"

"Robyn Nothing is always quick to answer my husband's call light & help him. She makes sure he gets a cup of coffee or cocoa at mealtime & pudding or ice cream because he has a hard time swallowing."

"Michelle Guthmiller can bring you up when everyday isn't joyful. Beautiful inside & out."

"Peggy Widmer shows great kindness to the residents & their families. Her warm smile when greeting others is very welcoming."

"Michele Lunder is very helpful."

"Missy Hase treats my husband with care & compassion."