

September Newsletter 2025

As the seasons begin to change, we're taking every opportunity to enjoy the sunshine. September in Enderlin is always a special time as our community comes together for Sunfest, a celebration of sunflowers and the beauty they bring. Just like the sunflower turns toward the light, it's a reminder for us all to embrace our own light and let it shine.

We also invite you to stay connected with us by visiting our Facebook page, where we share photos and highlights from the many activities and events happening at Maryhill.

A Patio to Enjoy Together

We are excited to share that our new outdoor patio furniture is now in place! These wonderful additions were made possible through the incredible generosity shown during our Giving Hearts Day fundraiser back in February. We are also grateful to the Enderlin Lions Club, who volunteered their time and talents to help us get our new pergola up. Fundraisers like this, combined with the support of community volunteers, make it possible to accomplish so many meaningful improvements for our residents to enjoy.

Personal Administrator Note – Maternity Leave Announcement:

My husband and I are expecting our first child—a baby girl—this September. I will be stepping away on maternity leave once she arrives early September to spend time with our growing family.



During my time away, **Kellen Schauer** will be serving as the **Interim Administrator starting September 2nd** at Maryhill. He will be working closely with our leadership team to ensure smooth day-to-day operations and continued quality care for your loved ones. Thank you for your continued trust and support.

Fall Vaccination Update – Vaccination Day October 16th, 2025!

Please be aware that we will be reaching out to provide additional information, answer any questions, and gather consent for the vaccinations listed below. The designated vaccination day is October 16th but if anything changes, we will let you know. Additionally, please note that Maryhill staff also receive vaccinations for which they qualify, as part of our commitment to protecting the residents in our care.

1. 25/26 Influenza (Flu) Shot

2. **COVID** - FDA advised that the 2025–26 COVID-19 vaccines be monovalent JN.1-lineage (preferably LP.8.1) for use starting fall 2025. It is recommended to help reduce severe disease and hospitalization.

3. **RSV** (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) - CDC recommends a single dose (not yearly) for all adults ≥ 75 , and for adults 50–74 at increased risk for severe RSV (e.g., chronic heart/lung disease, diabetes, advanced kidney disease/dialysis, immunocompromise, residence in long-term care). If a resident already received one dose in a prior season, do not re-vaccinate annually.

Infection Control: We had a couple cases of COVID which puts us in Outbreak Status for 14 days (Sept 7th) but at this point all residents are off isolation. If your loved one tests positive, you will receive a daily update from our nurses on how they are doing during the 10 days of quarantine. Please avoid visitation if you are symptomatic with any respiratory illness such as runny nose, coughing or sneezing.

Safety / Security: Continue to Screen in and Obtain a Visitor Badge upon entry. Always wear the visitor badge inside the building. Do not let anyone out the front door unless it is confirmed to be safe. The goal is to facilitate easy exit for visitors while keeping residents safe. If someone wants to follow you out or requests the door to be opened, seek a staff member to verify safety before proceeding.

Stay healthy and God bless,
Bailyn Hildestad, CEO/Administrator