

GRACE HOME NEWS



APRIL 2024

New phone number for Grace Home!

Main call line: 209-325-0101

Fax: 209-233-3045

We have switched to a company called 3CX. This is an internet based phone system. We can make and receive phone calls on our computers or phones.

If we have the app downloaded on our phones, we can get calls wherever we are. We can also message among the ones who have lines on this system which are basically management. I don't know if anyone has read the user manual yet but there are many functions that could be used if we chose to.

April 27 is the **Grace Home Gift Day Fundraiser** at

Livingston Mennonite Church. The bake sale will start at 4:00. There will be coffee drinks and ice cream along with a meal of fried catfish or tri-tip that you can purchase.

The meal starts at 5:00. There will be singing as well as meal tickets that can be purchased. Hope to see you there!

The kitchen is on schedule for a new floor, new countertops with shelving and a new hand washing sink.

Sam and Barry have been talking with an architect who is connected with HCAI (Department of Health Care Access and Information, formerly known as OSHPD) When the architect gives the green light, the demolition will begin. Everything has to be taken out of the kitchen and moved to wherever the food will be prepped for the week or more that this project will take to complete. The old floor needs to be torn out and the sub floor needs to be inspected for anything that might need to be repaired. Three floor drains then need to be installed as well as replacing the ice maker drain. United Tile will then come in and finish the job of putting in tile. The chosen color is grey with a red strip at the door to show how far non dietary works may enter into the kitchen.

While this is happening, there is a guy building new stainless steel shelving. When the tile is laid, the shelving and a hand washing sink just inside the kitchen from the dining room need to be installed. It will then be ready to move the refrigerator, stove, dishwasher and other stuff back in. The goal is to pull this off in the month



In February, we planted seeds. They grew and the first week of March, we planted them in the **GARDEN**. It is so much fun to watch them grow. We have watermelon, zucchini, peas, radishes, beef steak tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, cilantro, carrots, cucumbers, poppies, zinnias and carnations.

Never underestimate the power of prayer. Saturday, March 16, I knew I needed to come to work while the volunteers cleaned the vehicles. It had not been going well with this project the last few months and I didn't really have the courage for it again. Before I left home, I prayed and asked God to help me keep the boys busy. It was wonderful! Not only did they stay busy and out of trouble, they lightened the load so tremendously! First, they willingly cleaned vehicles and looked like they were having fun doing it.



Neither the teen volunteer in charge nor I had any problems. Then, there were other small jobs

I had them do. They did some watering that needed to be done. They helped me clean out the chicks' box and put fresh wood chips down. Then, they did speedy work of cleaning up the chicken coop. There were dusty nasty cobwebs all over. They knocked them all down and swept the dust off the boards. It was such a relief to get that done! Their two hours were up. Don't tell me God doesn't care about the little things!

On February 19, the residents who are member of the Church of God in Christ Mennonite were helped to the Community Center and had a Communion service with Minister Doug Koehn and Deacon Randall Nightengale along with their wives.

We put the chicken coop back to work. We got four baby chicks that we are raising. Two of them are Indian Red Junglefowl and the other two are Wyandotte.

It is fun to see them grow.



There are four students from Delhi High School that have been coming every Monday, Tuesday and Friday since January 22. They have ridden in lifts, shaved balloons, fed each other, used gait belts, made beds, combed hair, did nail care, helped housekeeping, made a game for an activity, picked up meal trays, made a power point. They have helped a lot. They have also been amazing sports. In the middle of them coming to Grace Home, the morning routine had to be changed. The majority of the time they are here, there is no personal care going on. Only breakfast. That takes most of the residents and all the CNAs from things that the students can interact with. It has been a struggle to find things for them to do that are educational but they are still being enthusiastic with what they are doing. Two of the students were given an assignment of writing an article on their time here at Grace Home. The following is the result of that.

I am Brian Gonzalez, a Delhi High School student, volunteering at Grace Home. It is a true honor to share the collective experiences at this home on behalf of my peers Natalie Valerio, Alianna Fuentes, and Aaron Aguilar.

Through our high school Regional Occupational Program, we have been given the opportunity to apply the knowledge and skills we have learned in our patient care classroom in a real work setting. My peers and I have been coming to Grace Home every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday mornings.

Since January, we have been consistently amazed by the exceptional staff here. Their unwavering dedication to care for the divine is remarkable. They have taught us the skills to care for the well-spirited and charismatic residents of this home.

Being at Grace Home has taught us the importance of compassion, patience and empathy. My peers and I have been honored to serve such caring and generous residents.

State Survey

On February 26, the news was spread through the facility that state was in the building. For four tense days, the two ladies doing the state survey for Medi-cal recertification walked the halls and asked questions. During the exit conference on Friday, they told us of their findings.

There were multiple deficiencies but nothing major. We will maintain our 5 star facility and continue to do our best to care for your/our loved ones.



Crepe Breakfast

We are tentatively planning on serving a crepe breakfast in June. It will be like last year with the same options of a sweet crepe or breakfast crepe. The sweet crepe will include your choice of peanut butter, Nutella or a cream cheese mixture along with bananas or strawberries and topped with butter sauce or whipped cream. The breakfast crepe includes scrambled eggs, green onion, sausage, bacon, cilantro, cheese and topped with fresh salsa. Obviously, this is subject to change. When a date has been chosen, we will send out announcements so keep your eyes open.



NEW HIRES

Gardenia Castro—
Housekeeping/ Laundry

Joni Goosen— Kitchen

Gurcharan Kaur— CNA

Fatima Mena— CNA

Jessilyn Schmidt— Activities

Volunteers

New volunteers:

ROP/CTE students

100 hours: Javin Duhm

Badges completed:

Javin Duhm— Breakfast Host



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ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS!

- Tabletop Baseball
 - Umbrella Ball
 - Seed Planting
 - Garden Planting
 - Baby Chicks
 - Tailgate Party
 - Valentine's Party



- Hot Chocolate Bar
 - Spelling Bee
 - Snowball Toss



- Armchair Travel
- California Party
 - Garden Party
 - Frisbee Toss
- Outings: Starbucks, Almond Blossom Tour,
 - Applegate Zoo



FLOWERS

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Almond Blossom Wallflower Bluebell Pansy

Magnolia Cyclamen Petunia Buttercup

Saffron Peony Iris Water Lily Dandelion

Orchid Lavender Cherry Blossoms Hibiscus

Lilac Jasmine Poppy Carnation Daffodil

Marigold Dahlia Lily Sunflower Tulip

Rose Daisy

CONSIDER THE LILIES.....



HOW THEY GROW
 THEY DON'T TOIL
 NOR SPIN BUT I
 TELL YOU.. EVEN
 SOLOMON IN ALL
 HIS GLORY WAS
 NOT CLOTHED
 LIKE ONE OF

THESE,
LUKE 12:27

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