

Prairie Hills Assisted Living
and Memory Care
219 S. Cedar St.
Tipton, Iowa 52772



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April Entertainment

3rd: John Krob @1:00
Pie and Ice Cream
Social @3:00

5th: Resident Meeting
@1:00

10th: Ernie Jennings
@3:00 and Heaven's
Calling @6:00

13th: Open House and
Wine Tasting Event
@1:00

17th: Jo Brown @1:00

20th: Just Mike @1:00

27th: Dale Thomas
@1:30

Join us this month for our Open House
and Wine Tasting event on April 13th
from 1:00-3:00pm.

We will have wine, refreshments, and
door prizes. Come meet the coordinators
and take a tour of our beautiful
community!



Welcome Lisa!

Happy Spring Everyone! My name is Lisa Lenz. You may recognize my maiden name, Mente. Kenneth and Betty were my grandparents and Mickey is my dad. My husband Darren and I have five children. Eric, 20, Emily, 18, Austin, 16, David, 9, and Mickayla is 6. We have lived in Tipton most of our lives. Both Darren and I are from Tipton.

I haven't always been a nurse. While in college, Steve Cook hired me in his Iowa City jewelry store and later I started my professional life when I took over Cook's Jewelry in Tipton as Louie and Virginia Cook retired! I absolutely loved having a business in town. I was able to serve the community and have my little one at work with me.

I fell in love with healthcare as a volunteer on the Tipton Ambulance service. I soon realized I wanted to learn more than my EMT status and went back to school to be a nurse. I have been a nurse since 2004, primarily in Emergency and Intensive Care. I worked at the University of Iowa for 11 years before going to St. Luke's Emergency Department in Cedar Rapids. Years later, Cedar Manor graciously took me in and showed me the long-term care ropes. Although it was a very different area of nursing, it feels more fulfilling to be in my home community, working with members of my church, teachers and bankers, farmers and so many other locals that I grew up respecting. It has been an honor to care for and work with the families and residents in Tipton.

I can tell you, I am already invested in this community! I am excited to be a part of Prairie Hills and look forward to meeting all the families and residents here at this community. Please, don't hesitate to stop in my office, or chat with me in the halls.

Fun Days this Month!

April 1st: Easter Sunday

April 3rd: Don't Go to Work Unless
It's Fun Day!

April 12th: National Grilled
Cheese Day!

April 18th: Wear Pajamas Day

April 22nd: Earth Day!

April 25th: National Mani-Pedi
Day!



Let's Celebrate this month!

April 1st: Luann has resided at
Prairie Hills for 2 years!!

April 1st: Happy Birthday, Bernice!!

April 9th: Kalyn has been a team
member for 1 year!!

April 21st: Happy Birthday, Don!!

April 24th: Mike has been a team
member for 9 years!!

April 27th: Happy Birthday,
Angela!!

Dare to Dream

Fun afternoon of Wii bowling with Bernice and Velva!



A special moment: Pastor Ron Lashmit found himself without a pianist for his service. Upon hearing this, Kathleen volunteered her talents and accompanied each song beautifully! Everyone enjoyed and appreciated the music she played!



Lee was patient while teaching Delores and Hannah how to crochet.



A fun and unique way to entertain—singing puppets! A shout-out to these four young parishioners for doing an excellent job at making residents and staff laugh and clap along to the gospel music you shared. Thank you, Calvary Foursquare Church for putting together this performance for us. It was a big hit!



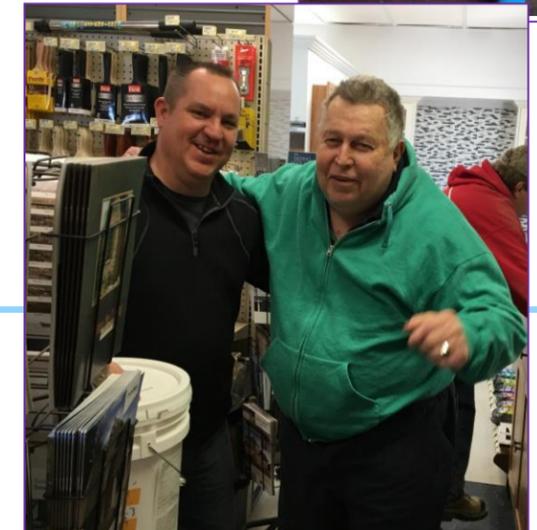
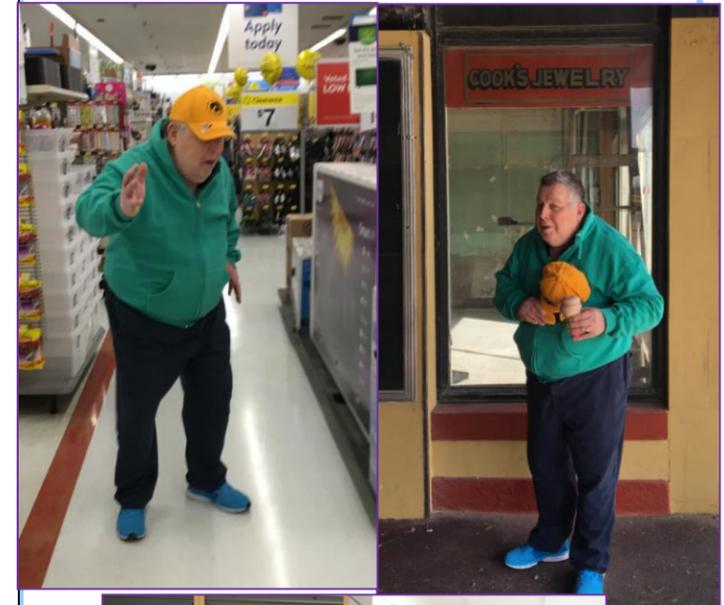
Miss Erma and Nicole enjoying some music entertainment.

Since Neal started as our Maintenance Coordinator in October of 2016, Louis Cook (Louis, Louie, Lou) has gained a friendship that not many would forget. With Lou's apartment being close to Neal's office, Lou always knows what Neal is up to! On your typical day, if Neal is not at work by 10am, Lou will be sure to go looking for him and sometimes ask other coordinators if Neal is at home sleeping.

One morning, Neal asked Louie if he wanted to run some errands with him later in the day. Lou of course agreed to this and Neal planned to start their afternoon shortly after lunch. As soon as Lou was done eating his lunch, his search for Neal began. He found Neal finishing his lunch in our private dining room and decided to sit with him until he was done. (He was biting at the bit to get going on their afternoon!)

Their first stop was the lumber store to pick out paint colors for our hospitality room (with help from Shari of course!) Next was Wal-Mart for odds and ends. The new Hawkeye hat wasn't planned, but once the hat went on Lou's head, it wasn't coming off! They even made a Wishlist in the sporting goods aisle for their spring/summer plans! Neal then took Louie to Neal's mom and dad's house to visit the coon dogs per Louie's request. Their last planned stop was DQ for an ice cream cone! On their way back from the community, Lou pointed down the street where his mom and dad's jewelry store used to be. Cook's jewelry is currently operated in Iowa City by Lou's brother and nephew, but the original Cook's jewelry started in Tipton in 1951.

Louie returned to the community with the biggest smile on his face while performing the Elvis Presley dance move, "Thank you very much!"



Reminder: Alzheimer's Support Group will be meeting this month on April 24th @6:30pm in the private dining room. Please join us!