



Why Four-Leaf Clovers are Considered Lucky

One legend has it that the luck factor comes from Eve herself. As Adam and Eve were leaving the Garden of Eden, Eve is said to have plucked a single four-leafed clover as a souvenir of paradise, and this religious connection has led to them being considered lucky ever since. The Celts considered four-leaf clovers to have magical powers of protection, able to ward off evil and bad luck. It was also believed that carrying a clover allowed the bearer to see fairies. Celtic fairies were dangerous little creatures who might play deadly tricks or steal your children, so carrying a clover meant that you could take evasive action if you spotted one. By the way, did you know that this is why we wear green on St. Patrick's Day?

The Four-Leaf Clover's Connection to St. Patty's Day

Another legend says that when St. Patrick brought Christianity to ancient Ireland, he used the three-leafed shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity: one leaf represented the Father, the next the Son, and the third the Holy Ghost. However, the belief that four-leaf clovers are lucky may have already existed among the Celtic peoples, probably because of the proliferation of clovers in Ireland, and the rarity of finding one with four leaves. Many Celtic traditions were blended with the new religion over the years, and the importance of the clover was one of them. The four-leaf clover meaning became intertwined with Christianity so that the first three leaves came to represent faith, hope, and love, and the fourth leaf, God's grace, or luck.

What's the Difference Between a Four-Leaf Clover and a Shamrock?

The short answer: one small leaf. Shamrock, which comes from the Old Irish word "seamróg", means "little clover" and describes a three-leaf clover. Since a four-leaf clover has four leaves, it's not considered a shamrock. That small lucky leaf makes all the difference!

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Providing compassionate Christian care to those we serve since 1963.

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Continuing Care Retirement Community

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In 1961, community members recognized the need for a retirement community and took action. A partnership with Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, (ELCA), made the dream of Good Neighbor Society a reality. In 1963, 60 years ago, we opened the doors to 55 people looking for a place to retire where they would be safe, cared for, and loved. As Manchester grew, so did the need for additional space for care and specialized services,



Jessie Tibbott, Community Development Director

Through community support, we now serve 186 people. Today, our services are comprised of Independent Living, Assisted Living, Memory Care, Post Acute Care and Long Term Care. Neighborhood Villas, our Independent Living, began in 2017 with the first set of homes built and occupied. Now 19 condos are constructed, 2 being built this spring and 4 lots remaining for sale. The Meadows, our Assisted Living, remains 100% occupied with 37 apartments, and a waiting list. For that reason, we are in the beginning phases of potential additional apartments. Marietta's Place, Memory Care, has been a reassuring place for 20 people with cognitive impairment to receive care since 2011. Our newest construction is Post-Acute care, Rehab-to-Home with the largest impact on helping people return recover. Our gym was opened in 2020 as a service to all people living on campus and people coming from the hospital for a short term stay. Of Course Good Neighbor Home has served the community as the founding service for Long Term Care since 1963.



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New Neighbors

Bill Monaghan Gloria Woehlk Barbara Hocking
 Mary Ellen Ryan Beverly Schneider Frances "Fritz" Houska
 Beverly Preussner Janice Gillihan Ruth Falconer

Wishing You The Best

Lois Morris Bill Monaghan Beverly Schneider

Always In Our Hearts

Agnes Klas Carol Raithel Brenda Carper Jean Hansen
 Keith Thompson Gerald Lindauer Betty McIntosh
 Bud Lahr Charlie Gaffney Duane Sherman Mary Ann Digmann



Resident Profile:

Betty was Resident of the Month in February, but her bio was cut off during printing and we apologize. Here is her profile in full.

Betty McIntosh



Betty was born on November, 13, 1929 on a farm near Hopkinton, Iowa. She attended several schools in Delaware County and graduated from Hopkinton High School in 1947.

Betty worked at Lambert Elementary in Manchester and because the Administrative Assistant to Principal Cabalka.

Betty met her future husband Roger McIntosh at a café in Hopkinton and they married June 15, 1949 . Together they managed the Pronto Gas Station in Manchester. They had 4 children: Kay (Vic) Vifian of Garnavillo, Iowa, Jane (Jerry) Kewley of Hurst, Texas, Doug McIntosh (deceased 1981) and Mark (Kim) McIntosh of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Betty has 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

At the Good Neighbor Home (Marietta's Place), Betty loves to visit with family, friends and former neighbors. In the community, she was a prolific quilter, part of the Red Hat Society, a bridge club participant and loved attending her grandchildren's activities. Betty also loved traveling to Germany and Taiwan to visit family and she was a longtime member of St. Mary's Church in Manchester.

Reoccurring Events

Exercise Class

Twice a week our team, with the help of our Restorative nurse here at GNH offers a head to toe exercise group. All residents are encouraged to participate! Moving your body as much as you are able will help you stay in motion as long as possible. We always keep this group fun, fresh, and adaptive to all ability levels. We also play fun word games regularly to keep your minds thinking in creative ways!

Wine Tasting/Happy Hour

Now that we are able to come together again, Happy Hour is back and Wine & Cheese tasting has been added to the calendar. Nice music, good food and fun fellowship are our goals for this recreational activity. These are resident favorites.

Pamper and Polish

Join us every other week to enjoy a relaxing spa experience. We use various relaxing techniques, which include: aroma therapy; warm towels; hand massages; and more. Quick paint touch ups are offered and light filing. Only nurses and bath aids are certified to cut nails. If you need your nails cut, please let your nurse know before Pamper and Polish.

Religious Services

- Every Sunday morning, our Non Denominational Church service is lead by our Chaplin, Joy Jager.
- Once a month, Pastor Tony leads Lutheran Communion.
- Once a month, Pastor Phil leads Methodist Communion.
- Every Thursday, Father Louis & Father Kremer lead Catholic Mass

Group activities are subject to change due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. Please reference your Community Calendar and Lifeshare screens for the most up

Town Talk

Every month, residents get together with the Recreation Director to talk about any comments, suggestions and concerns they may have. We also talk about upcoming events, updates, and ask for your suggestions for the next months community calendar. The purpose of this meeting is to record any concerns/suggestions and get them to the right place, so we can work on a solution, but also to keep you updated on what is going on here at Good Neighbor Home.

Fold N Stuff

At the end of every month, residents get together to help fold the next month's newsletters. This is a relaxing social group.

Beauty Shop

If you would like your hair done, let your recreation team know, and they will get you on the beauty shop list. Our beautician will get you in as soon as there is an opening!

Beauty Shop Pricing

Haircut - Male.....	\$11.00
Haircut - Female.....	\$15.00
Shampoo, Set and Style.....	\$17.00
Shampoo, Cut, Set and Style.....	\$24.00
Color, and Style.....	\$37.00
Color, Cut and Style.....	\$47.00
Perm, Cut and Style.....	\$55.00

Effective December 1, 2021

Thank you ❤️

We cannot express enough gratitude for the abundance of support we receive from the community, but a special thank you for all of the Valentine's that poured in for our residents. You can see from the pictures that you brought so much joy to each and every one. Thank you so much!

🍀 ST. PATRICK'S DAY CROSSWORD PUZZLE 🍀



Across

- 4. capital of Ireland
- 5. a type of Irish dance
- 7. if you do not wear green on March 17 this will happen
- 9. the day St. Patrick's Day falls on
- 11. the national emblem of Ireland
- 12. yellow and blue make _____
- 13. from Ireland

Down

- 1. the 3rd month of the year
- 2. good fortune
- 3. nonsense or misleading talk
- 6. called the Emerald Isle
- 7. a starchy vegetable
- 8. a sprite
- 10. 4 leaf _____



Staff

- Kristine Smith 3/1
- Joan Brunsman 3/2
- Deb Miles 3/2
- Pam Olson 3/3
- Makenzie Naber 3/4
- Alexandra Chavez 3/5
- Steve Werner 3/5
- Kennedy Ott 3/5
- Trisia Lahr 3/7
- Michael Heer 3/11
- Katie Edgington 3/12
- Cindy Pohlman 3/17
- Tracy Knipper 3/17
- Caelyn Sands 3/18
- Renee Mast 3/24
- Abby Dittrick 3/26
- Rebecca McGraw 3/31
- Christianna Maestas 3/31



Residents

- Rose Fischer 3/1
- Betty Salow 3/7
- Kaye Wall 3/12
- Lucille Harris 3/14
- Ervin Ham 3/22



March Milestones

Marsha Luensmann 15 Years

Thank you for your dedication to serve "Compassionate Christian Care!"

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Good Neighbor Home | February Highlights

VALENTINE'S DAY



Congratulations to Billie Welcher & Joann Harris for being voted our Valentine King & Queen. You wear it well!



Love Song
Sing - A - Long!



FOOD FOR THOUGHT!
BROWNIES!



V-DAY BOX VOTING

BALLOON PAINTING



A Good Life is a Collection
of Happy Moments.

-Denis Waitley

Pastor Kurt and Dulcie lead us in song!

