

Miranda Barnhart

Administrator Hiawatha Care Center

Hiawatha Care Center and Promise House are excited to welcome Miranda Barnhart as Administrator, overseeing both communities. Miranda is excited to join the team and looks forward to building meaningful relationships with residents, families, employees, and the greater community.

Miranda grew up and still resides near Colesburg, Iowa and has spent much of her life in long-term care. She began her career as a Dietary Aide and Activity Aide before becoming a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), a certification she is proud to still maintain today. She later became a Certified Assisted Living Director and continued growing into leadership roles while earning her Nursing Home Administrator license.

Miranda earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Loras College, where she triple majored in Business Administration, Marketing, and Finance. She later earned both a Master of Business Administration (MBA) and a Master of Health Administration (MHA) from Purdue Global.

With more than 10 years of leadership experience, Miranda has worked across skilled nursing, assisted living, independent living, memory care, home care, outpatient therapy, and transitional care. She has served as an Administrator and Executive Director of large senior living and healthcare campuses, as well as in multi-site leadership roles. Throughout her career, she has remained passionate about supporting residents and families, developing strong teams, and creating communities where people feel welcomed, valued, and at home.

Outside of work, Miranda enjoys spending time outdoors and with her family, reading, volunteering in her community, and finding ways to help others. She has also been actively involved with the Iowa Health Care Association for many years and has a strong passion for continued learning and professional development.

Most importantly, Miranda wants residents, families, and employees to know that she is here for them. She welcomes questions, ideas, concerns, or simply the opportunity to visit and get to know one another. Her door is always open, and she encourages everyone to stop by and say hello. Miranda is excited to be part of Hiawatha Care Center and Promise House and looks forward to working together to make both communities places we are all proud to call home, work, and community.



HIAWATHA CARE CENTER

October 2026 Newsletter

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At Hiawatha Care Center, we not only emphasize our quality of care, but also our quality of caring!

Thanksgiving

The Annual Resident & Family
Thanksgiving Meal will be on
Tuesday, November 17th @ 6:30pm!

Be on the lookout for upcoming details.
Please Contact Hannah Waters, Activity
Director with Questions.
319-368-2626

October Birthdays

Janet Burrows	10/11
Dennis Drahozal	10/13

Resident Council

Leaders

Beth Taggart
Mary Heck
Marlys Fischels
Linda Spence

Hiawatha Care Center Annual Trick or Treat

Families, Friends & Staff, come and
Trick-or-Treat with our Residents!

🎃 Tuesday, October 27th @ 6:30 PM 🎃

Families, please provide candy for your loved ones!
We will refill their buckets until we candy run out!



Cold/Flu Season

As we enter respiratory illness season in Iowa, we want to help keep our residents healthy and protected!

If you or your loved one would like to receive an influenza (flu), COVID-19, pneumonia (pneumococcal), or RSV vaccine, please notify Karmin, Assistant Director of Nursing at Hiawatha Care Center.

Our nursing team will be happy to assist with coordinating available vaccinations based on individual needs and eligibility.

💙 Thank you for helping us keep our residents and community healthy this season! 💙



We are excited to announce that Aria Care Partners will be reaching out to residents and families regarding a new insurance policy available to help cover dental, vision, and hearing services.

These healthcare providers are expected to begin making on-site visits by December, and we look forward to offering these additional services to our residents!

If you have not received a letter or phone call from Aria Care Partners, please reach out to Karmin Boote, Assistant Director of Nursing at Hiawatha Care Center. She will be happy to provide you with their contact information and assist with any questions. We look forward to expanding access to these valuable services and continuing to support the health and well-being of our residents!

Thank you,
Miranda Barnhart, MBA, MHA, LNHA
Administrator Hiawatha Care Center

Fall & Autumn Word Search

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ACORN	EQUINOX	NOVEMBER	SWEATER
AUTUMN	FOLIAGE	OCTOBER	THANKSGIVING
BONFIRE	GOURD	ORCHARD	TURKEY
CHESTNUT	HARVEST	PLAID	WIND
CIDER	HAYRIDE	PUMPKIN	
CORN	LEAVES	SCARECROW	
CRISP	MIGRATION	SPICES	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October   2026  				1 10:00 Reminisce Group 2:30 Happy Hour with Dave Wirtz 4:00 Open Table Activities	2 10:00 Crafty Hour with Mercy Friends 2:30 Bingo Hour 4:00 Movie-SW Commons	3 Staff Setup Independent Coloring/Word finds/Movies -Activity Room 2:30 Movie & Popcorn 4:30 Flute Music with Charolette
4 10:00 Catholic Communion 2:30 Games: Farkle 4:00: King of Kings Lutheran Service	5 National Storytelling Day 10:00 Manicures/Social 2:30 Storytelling & Snacks 4:45 Bible Study Group Fall Decorating with Activities	6 10:00 Card Games 2:30 Mad Hatter Tea Party 6:30 Evening Activities with Joanne	7 9:45 Election Voting with Linn County Election Office 2:00 Movie & Popcorn 2:30 Serenity Spa Hour 4:00 Open Table Activities	8 10:00 Crafty Hour: with ARC Friends 2:30 Happy Hour with DJ Clay Willy & Bob 4:00 Open Table Activities	9 10:00 Games/Fun with the McCullough Kids 2:30 Bingo Hour 4:00 Movie-SW Commons	10 Staff Setup Independent Coloring/Word finds/Movies -Activity Room 2:30 Music Hour with the Damascus Road Band
11 10:00 Catholic Communion Staff Setup Independent Coloring/Word finds/Movies -Activity Room	12 10:00 Manicures/Social 2:30 Country Line Dancers “The Country Steppers” 4:45 Bible Study Group	13 10:00 Gospel Light Baptist Service 2:30 Fall/Halloween Trivia Hour 6:30 Evening Activities with Joanne	14 10:00 Bingo with Andrews Christian Students 2:30 Music with the Oxford Junction Band 3:30 Snacks & Social	15 10:00 Jewelry Making with Discovery Living Friends 2:30 Crafty Hour: Halloween 4:00 Open Table Activities	16 10:00 Painting Fun with the McCullough Kids 2:30 Bingo Hour 4:00 Movie-SW Commons	17 Staff Setup Independent Coloring/Word finds/Movies -Activity Room 2:30 Music Hour with C.R Express Band
18 10:00 Catholic Communion 2:30 Piano Recital with Students from Ironwood 4:00: King of Kings Lutheran Service	19 10:00 Manicures/Social 2:30 Pie Social & Music with the Hart/Parker Trio Band 4:45 Bible Study Group	20 10:00 Piano Music with Melinda 2:30 Tales & Legends of Halloween with Marci 6:30 Evening Activities with Joanne	21 10:00 Morning Bingo with Kenndey High Schoolers 2:30 Ice Cream Social & Music with The Flip Side 4:00 Open Table Activities	22 10:00 Pumpkin Decorating 2:30 Happy Hour with Harold Gray 4:00 Open Table Activities	23 10:00 Crafty Hour with the McCullough Kids 2:30 Bingo Hour 4:00 Movie-SW Commons	24 Staff Setup Independent Coloring/Word finds/Movies -Activity Room 2:30 Music Hour with Richard Lee
25 10:00 Catholic Communion Staff Setup Independent Coloring/Word finds/Movies -Activity Room	26 10:00 Manicures/Social 2:30 Guess the Flavor: Halloween Edition 4:45 Bible Study Group	27 10:00 Witchy Craft Creations 2:30 Halloween Movie & Spooky Treats 6:30 HCC Annual Indoor Trick- or-Treating	28 10:15 Lovey Lane Methodist Service 2:30 Monthly Birthday Party With David Marshall 4:00 Open Table Activities	29 10:00 Trick-or-Treating with Mother Goose Kids 2:30 Halloween Party with Lena Adams 4:00 Open Table Activities	30 10:00 Games/Fun with the McCullough Kids 2:30 Bingo Hour 4:00 Movie-SW Commons	31 Happy Halloween Staff Setup Independent Coloring/Word finds/Movies -Activity Room 2:30 Halloween Trivia & Spooky Snacks with Joanne

Sunflowers	Harvest	Falling Leaves	Sweater Weather
Maple Syrup	Ber Months	Hot Chocolate	Hay Bale
Apple Picking	Holidays	Apple Pie	Pecan Pie
Cider	Pumpkins	Scarecrow	Orchard
Scarves	Cornucopia	Squirrels	Acorn



LEAF

FALL ACTIVITY				
FALL FOOD				
FALL DRINK				
FALL DESSERT				
SOMETHING ORANGE				
FALL ANIMAL				
FALL DECORATION				
FALL CLOTHING				
NATURE ITEM				
THANKSGIVING DISH				
THANKFUL FOR				