

September 2023

Director's Note

Time is going very fast with all the activity in our new facility! It warms our hearts to be able to share our new home with so many people. In May we were able to host Business After Five with sixty Chamber members joining us for a Sundae Bar and Ice Cream Social. Thank you to Amanda, and her team for coordinating these events! Business After Five is a great way to stay connected with our area business partners. We would also like to thank Ripp Distributing, Black River Memorial Hospital, Falls Florist & Greenhouse, Hansen's IGA Market, and Sand Creek Brewing Company for donating to this event!

On June 9th we held our Ribbon Cutting and Open House with over 150 community members stopping in to see our new home. It was wonderful to see many of the faces who have been a part of Interfaith since we began. This building is the result of 34 years of building partnerships, caring for our community, helping older adults age in place, and putting Faith in Action! Many of you have been a part of that for all those years. Your dedication and commitment to Interfaith continue to impact our community.

The new space is perfect for office volunteers, and we are so thankful for them, Connie Gates, Geri Allen, Geri Zlesak, Jean Lee, Joanne Forsting, Linda McCullough, Lynn Pratt, and Mary Muir are helping answer phones, organize filing

systems, input volunteer hours, and make grocery-to-go calls. There was a great deal to do with our move and we couldn't have done it without all of you! If you are interested in volunteering in the office two to four hours a week or month, we are still looking for a few more volunteers.

Tuesdays and Thursdays are humming with excitement with our Time for You Dementia Respite Program. With our new site, we were able to extend our time to 10 am to 3 pm, offering five hours of respite. The extra time gives families a chance to make appointments, do out-of-town errands, or spend more time catching up at home.

We are offering more community training and programs that promote healthy life choices, and social engagement. Our current program, Stand Up and Move More has eight participants, learning the positive impact of just moving a little more each day. This evidencebased program is in partnership with Jackson County Public Health. It is a great example of some of the many programs we hope to offer with our new site. We will continue to rely on partnerships to maximize our impact and ensure we are developing sustainable programs.

There is so much to be thankful for and to share! Be sure and follow our Facebook Page to see all the weekly activities and opportunities for you to join us. Your continued support and blessings are what makes all this possible!

We are eternally grateful.

- Lori Chown, Director



Ribbon Cutting ceremony was held June 9th, 2023.





This year's volunteer appreciation had a construction theme, "Volunteers are the Building Blocks of our Future."

"The volunteer kept asking if he could do any more for me. He did such a professional job. He is a keeper." – Mary P.

New Volunteers

We have seen so much growth with our new site. Not only with new requests, but with many new volunteers wanting to put their Faith in Action! Thank you to our newest volunteers.

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Paul Helstad Justin Jessop Kevin Newell Mary Peterson Mary Rykken

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Interfaith Volunteers 25th Annual Golf Outing Scores an Ace in the Hole

On June 16th we held our 25th annual golf outing, sponsored by Co-op Credit Union. This year's event broke lots of records with 26 teams, raising funds and having fun!

It is held each year on the Friday before Father's Day. It began in 1997 when Max Michaelson, retired President/CEO of Co-op Credit Union, began hosting this event to raise money to help Interfaith provide critical services to the aging population in Jackson County. This event has raised over \$150,000 in the last 25 years for Interfaith.

There was much excitement throughout the day, but the big celebration happened on hole number eight, where retired Interfaith Program Coordinator and longtime Interfaith volunteer, Jan Eckles shot a hole-in-one!

Teams joining in the festivities were: Anderson Financial, Badger Flagpole & Monument, Black River Memorial Hospital, Co-op Credit Union, Cody's DJ Service, Community Dental, Couple's Therapy, Esser Insurance - Apec Group, Global Finishing, Hattie Walker, Ho-Chunk Nation, J&D Abstract Company, Krohn Clinic, Market & Johnson, Nelson Global, Peter & Mary Beth Jacobs, Security Financial Bank, Sheriff Waldera, United Methodist Church, and Yankee Doodle Dandies.

Hole sponsors included: Black River Furniture Outlet, Buswell Funeral Home, Co-op Credit Union, Gross Motors, Ho-Chunk Nation, In Memory of Terry Preston, Pigeon Falls Meats, Riverside Auto Sales, Robyn Matousek Law, Rotary Club of Black River Falls, Theisen's, Thrivent, and Torgerson Funeral Home.

Interfaith held a pre-raffle with half a hog, donated by Pigeon Falls Meats, won by Kandi Shramek, and an outside glider, donated by Black River Furniture Outlet, won by Dave Overlien.

Congratulations to John Stacy who won the kayak that was donated by Theisen's of Black River Falls. Chuck a Ball was added this year, where players competed to get their golf ball closest to the pin. The winner Jesse Hansen won \$175, donating funds back to Interfaith.

The Photo Booth with Dave Meyer was another enormous success. Teams showed their spirit by getting in costume, including a green master's jacket!

All funds raised will be used to assist Interfaith in providing volunteer services that help our seniors age

in place. With our new site and expanded services. these gifts are a vital part of our growth. Thank you for all your support!





Interfaith Golf Outing Volunteers.

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Interfaith relies on the generous support of our community to continue our mission of helping health-impaired older adults and individuals that are disabled. Without the support of our volunteers and our donors, none of this would be possible.

In lieu of thank you letters, we utilize our newsletter to recognize donations and memorials. Many families request Interfaith for their family memorials. In this edition, we thank the family of Edward Brudos.

Interfaith receives many memorials, and "in honor of" tributes, which are given to Interfaith to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and other happy occasions. Every effort is made to include all donations during this time period. If your name is omitted, please accept our apologies, and let us know so we can promptly correct our records. Donations included in this insert are from March 1st to July 31st.

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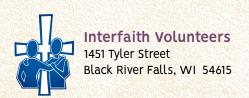
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"The volunteer not only has gold stars in heaven, but they should also have a selection of colors from the rainbow. Thanks to all."

-VIP participant

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