

Dear Residents, Family Members and Friends,

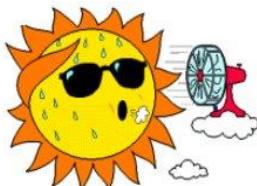


This newsletter is being sent to responsible parties listed as the primary contact for residents of the Baldwin Care Center. Birch Haven is also sending this newsletter to responsible parties. The Apartment Manager distributes copies to the Birchwood Apartment tenants. Responsible parties can direct other family members to the Baldwin Care Center website at [www.baldwincarecenter.com](http://www.baldwincarecenter.com) to read current and previous newsletters. If there is a topic you would like discussed in the newsletter, please contact me via email at [elafavor@baldwincarecenter.com](mailto:elafavor@baldwincarecenter.com) or by phone at 715-684-3231, Ext. 103.



This week I would like to summarize the results from the recent state survey at the Baldwin Care Center. The four member team was present in the building from Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> through Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The engineer surveyor came on Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. There are two categories that the survey team focuses on. There is a health inspection portion completed primarily by nurse surveyors that looks at the care and treatment of residents. The other portion of the survey completed by the engineer focuses on an inspection of the building looking at requirements of the Life Safety Code and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). I am pleased to let you know that the facility had a great survey this year. We had two deficiencies regarding the health inspection portion. One involved a nurse who left her medication cart unlocked when she stepped away from it while the surveyors were observing her. The nurse was obviously very nervous while surveyors were watching her. The nurse feels horrible about this. The other health cite we will be receiving is regarding a resident who did not have a psychoactive medication reduced. The federal guidance indicates that we should attempt to reduce these types of medications at least annually. Those were the only deficiencies that were found. I think these results are pretty impressive. We have not had a survey for two years and we have spent the last 15 months dealing with COVID-19. Each staff member here deserves credit for the outcome of the survey! The Engineer found some building issues that need to be fixed including some small openings in the ceiling of the food storage area that need to be sealed and a conduit above the smoke barrier doors that needs to be caulked for maximum fire protection. The oxygen storage area needs to be more clearly marked, identifying full tanks from empty tanks. There is fire pull station in the kitchen that is located more than 20 feet from the hood over the stove. There is an annunciator panel for the emergency generator located in one of the nurses stations that the surveyors indicated was not manned 24 hours a day. The surveyor indicated it needed to be moved to a hallway instead. It was a bit frustrating that the building issues that the surveyor was finding had already been approved by the state when we opened the building and several other surveyors had surveyed since we opened and had not found these issues. There were some paper compliance issues that need to be taken care of also. There were some extinguishers that had not been checked monthly. There were some quarterly fire drills that had not been conducted. The Emergency plan had not been reviewed during 2020 and there was no disaster simulation done. Overall, all of the items are certainly fixable. I have not yet received the final documents from the survey team. I will be writing plans of correction for every deficiency and fixing all of them. I will keep you posted regarding the progress. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Visitation on the campus is back to the new normal. Baldwin Care Center has reopened for visitation after the employee positive COVID test. The positivity rate for St. Croix County has just changed to a level that will only require us to test unvaccinated employees every other week. Things seem to be continuing to trend in a positive fashion.



This past week the residents and staff of the Birchwood Apartments and Baldwin Care Center were busy planting flowers in the raised gardens. With this recent hot spell, now we need to make sure we are watering them regularly. During this past week we have been experiencing some problems with some of the air conditioning units on the campus keeping up. We have had service people here rectifying the situation to try to keep everyone cool.



I want to thank the family of Ole Ellefson who donated the memorials to the campus vehicle fund. Thank you so much for thinking of the residents of the campus. We continue to receive donations for the vehicle fund. Thank you to everyone for your support of this project that will benefit all of the residents of the campus.

Eileen LaFavor,  
Administrator

## Congratulations BCC 2021 Graduates!



### Baldwin/Woodville High School

Hailee Berg, Kayla Hillstead, Alex Moore, Alyssa Moore,  
Alison Nutt, Ashley VanSomeren, and Lezlie Weyer



### River Falls High School

Dennis Grisar

### Spring Valley High School

Katie Aamodt and Maddy Olson

