### Staff Spotlight: Sabina, Laundry Aide

Sabina has been a team member at Kennybrook Village for just under a year. She has been a very positive and friendly addition to the team!

Sabina, her husband and their oldest daughter moved to the United States from Bosnia in 2001. She became a US citizen two years ago and is very proud of this. Sabina and her husband Rifaet have 4 girls (Aldine, Hanna, Nermina, and Lejla. She also has a granddaughter, Kejla. She said that she is most proud of being a mother and grandmother. It fills her heart and she loves spending time with her family. She especially enjoys the holidays when everyone comes together in one house to eat and celebrate. Sabina likes reading especially books from Bosnia and her favorite genre is history.



Whenever her family makes a trip to or from Bosnia, they bring her books. Her favorite place to visit is Bosnia where her mom, brother, sister, and friends still live.

Sabina responded to the questions of why do you love working at Kennybrook Village by stating "The elderly fill my heart and bring me joy. I enjoy the amazing people I work with. I'm happy when I come to Kennnybrook and everyone is very, very nice."

Her fellow team members had this to say about Sabina "She is a hard worker and takes pride in her job. She is extremely kind and friendly. She can't pass someone without smiling and saying hi. She is a great team member as she is willing to help out with anything. She is a great addition!"

Thank you, Sabina, for being part of the KBV family and sharing your caring heart with us!

### **Team KBV**

Kennybrook Village celebrated our 12 year anniversary with a homecoming themed celebration! This included door decorating with old school photos and colors, drive in movie, tailgate and bean bag baseball game against DC-G football team, live entertainment and s'mores and ending with an indoor parade!

Just like a football team, our team each has their own diverse functions and responsibilities. Throughout the years, our team works hard to make Kennybrook Village the best in senior living!



## **Happy Anniversary!**

Joni Frantz, RN - 12 Years Amor Doherty, RN - 9 Years Randy Cole, Plant Ops Director - 4 Years Meredith Herlein-Rolow, LPN - 3 Years Khadiga Agbna, CMA - 1 Year Cristen Galloway, CNA -1 Year Grace Mason, CMA - 1 Year Esthealla Sackie, CNA - 1 Year Brynn Weydert, Culinary Aide 1 Year

## **Happy Birthday!**

Stanley Kollie, CNA - November 10 Dah Thipyothin, Cook - November 16 Lilian Kebenei. Care Partner - November 19 Nana Hasanovic, Life Services Coordinator - November 20 Emma Powell, Culinary Aide - November 20 Amor Doherty, RN - November 21 Tayla Farrell, Head of Household, November 22 Kyra Agee, CNA - November 28 Noemi Curiel, Life Services Coordinator - 1 Year





#### OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF KENNYBROOK VILLAGE

### **November 2023**

# **Kennybrook Village Voted Metro's Best Assisted/Senior Living**



Exciting News! We're thrilled to announce that our assisted/senior living community has been crowned the BEST in the Des Moines Metro!

A heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who made this possible - our amazing residents, dedicated team, and the entire community that supports us. Your trust and confidence inspire us to continue providing exceptional care and a vibrant, supportive environment for our residents and team.

This award is a testament to the strong bonds we've built and the commitment to enriching lives every day. We're not just a community; we're a family, and this recognition is shared with each and every one of you.

Cheers to more moments of purpose, passion, and joy in life

### **Events**

Scenic Drive for HC November 1

Spa Day for AL November 2

Iowa Gold Star Military Museum Outing November 7

**Election Day** November 8

Alzheimer's Support Group November 8

Veteran's Day Service November 10

Veteran's Day November 11

**Pumpkin Craft** November 11

National Pickle Day - make pickle wraps November 14

Family Thanksgiving at Maggie's Place November 14

Family Thanksgiving for IL, AL, and HC November 16

Pie Social November 17

Music with Josh Sinclair November 21

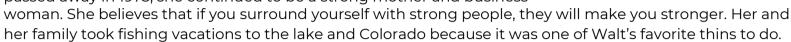
Deck the Halls at KBV! November 24

\*Bean Bag Baseball Games at 2pm: 11/1, 11/8, 11/15

## **Senior Spotlight: Doris**

One of the first things you notice about Doris is her smile. It's inviting and contagious. It's fun to watch people talking to her and see their spirits lifted. She will tell you she is a farmer's daughter from the Norwalk/Martindale area and this really brings her down-to-earth spirit to life.

Doris met her husband, Walter, while she was working for a jewelry supply house in Des Moines. It was a natural fit! Walter was a watchmaker and owned Walt's Jewelry at Park Fair Mall in Des Moines. Together they had fun running the business for many years. They have 6 children together - 4 boys and 2 girls. Through the years, she has welcomed 15 grandchildren. Although Walter passed away in 1975, she continued to be a strong mother and business



Doris loved filling up the jewelry store with the work of local and new artists. She always felt joy in helping an artist get their start. This was a great way for her to explore her hobby of collecting art, both on a local and national level.

She likes Kennybrook Village cause it's family. She likes learning about people, new residents, and staff. She feels the connections that make Kennybrook a special place. We truly love having Doris here as part of the Kennybrook Family and Doris is, without a doubt, a special addition to our community.

## **Homecoming Parade**

























## **12 Year Anniversary: Homecoming Celebrations**



































