

Good Samaritan Center staff members came together to bring holiday cheer to residents in festive clothing and tropical leis. Front row: Maria Saavedra, senior CNA; Mackenzie DePyper, activities director (holding daughter Elizabeth Hoss); Debbie Gonnerman, RN; Ivy Joy, CNA; Savannah Burrow, CNA; Kathleen Tirevold, health information manager; Marsha Klaassen, clinical care lead/nurse manager. Back row: Patrick Berry, administrator; Miranda DePyper, clinical care lead/QUAPI/Infection control, Santa Claus, Dawn Skow, Director of Nursing; Krystal Schubert, dietary manager; Katlyn Lyster, activity assistant, Larry Hutchins, maintenance assistant; Melissa Ayers, lead medication assistant.



Above: Gloria Hansen enjoys a laugh with Santa Claus as she tells him her wishes and hopes. Hansen said she'd already experienced a miracle in her healing from injuries sustained in a fall with complications several years ago. *Photos by Amy H. Peterson* 

## Good Sam hosts Christmas in July

Mackenzie DePyper, new activities director at Good Samaritan Center, gathered family and friends to host Christmas in July at the Center last week. Residents enjoyed frozen hot chocolate and treats, along with Santa Claus himself in his summer gear. Santa had various residents on his nice and naughty lists, though even those termed naughty received a package with a blanket, activity book, and/or other fun gift.



## Andersons chosen as Yard of the Month

Larry and Janet Anderson of 926 N 12th Street were chosen as Yard of the Month. Janet said the couple kept their plant choices simple with hanging flowers on the porch and a mix of annuals and perennials in the front yard. The back yard is where the magic happens with elephant ear hostas and a rainbow of colors to longer-stemmed blooms set off with lush greenery. In choosing the Andersons' property, the Estherville Garden Club commented, "Very nice home with white porch and colorful flowers in front." From left are Carolyn Brown, Dorothy Wagner, Larry Anderson, and Evelyn Prentice.

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