

# FILLING

## FOCUS ON

Winter 2026

**A Winter  
of Care,  
Connection &  
Companionship**  
- Because meaningful  
connection is at the  
heart of everything  
we do.

**Lucas and Bourbon  
the Doodle remind us  
that companionship  
matters. Discover  
Lucas' story on page  
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# Lutheran Ministries of Mercy

## SEEING FAITH IN ACTION

Dear Friends, Families, and Supporters,

Each day in our ministries, we are privileged to witness small, but meaningful steps toward change. With the steady support of our staff, a client attends counseling regularly for the first time, learning healthier ways to manage stress and rediscover hope. Another secures an ID, keeps a case management appointment, or takes the courageous step of asking for help at our food pantry. Others, living with significant disabilities, are learning how to form friendships, enjoy life in the community, or simply feel safe, supported, and cared for. These moments may appear modest, but they are powerful milestones on the journey forward.

Rooted in compassion and guided by faith, our programs meet people where they are. We strive to remind each person they are not alone, they matter, and they are deeply valued by God and by their community. Over time, these small steps add up. With consistent care and practical support, lives once shaped by crisis or uncertainty can begin to reflect hope, connection, and stability. Often, the change is not only in circumstances, but in how individuals experience life itself—meeting challenges with growing confidence, trust, and resilience.

The impact of this progress extends beyond the individual. Positive change ripples outward to families, friends, and neighborhoods, strengthening the fabric of our community. As we notice and celebrate everyday acts of kindness and service, we are reminded that faith is lived out in small gestures of love, woven together by God into lasting change. For these moments, and for the lives they touch, we give thanks today and always.

Best Wishes for a Happy 2026!

Sincerely,

*Terri Rodriguez*



**Terri Rodriguez**  
President and CEO  
Lutheran Ministries of Mercy

*We welcome you to be a part of*

*Rejoicing in*  
**HOPE**

**2026 Annual Meeting**

*Monday, March 9th at 2:00 PM*  
*The Pinnacle in Maumee, Ohio*

*R.S.V.P. today!*

**[lutheranministriesofmercy.org](http://lutheranministriesofmercy.org)**

Come be inspired and enjoy fellowship and food with mission-minded people like you! Hearty appetizers and desserts will be served, along with a coffee station. Our guest speaker is Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz.

Tickets are \$20.00 each, and Pastors are our guests at no charge (we would love to have pastors and two representatives from each church present for voting).

**Please RSVP** online through our site, [lutheranministriesofmercy.org](http://lutheranministriesofmercy.org), or call Karen Shaffer at 419-972-4394.



# A Message from Carol Slight

Vice President, Filling Homes

## Welcome to 2026!

The holiday season was filled with special moments that say a lot about who we are at Filling Homes. From carolers, a community band and church youth visiting the main campus, admiring Christmas lights to the excitement of residents and clients opening gifts shared by our generous community. These experiences brought warmth, laughter, and connection to residents and clients across our homes. They're the kinds of moments that remind us that feeling at home is about more than a place, it's about people.

This issue of our newsletter reflects a Winter of Care & Connection and the many hands and hearts behind it. We're especially proud to recognize staff celebrating years of service. Their steady presence, familiar faces, and deep commitment create the consistency and trust that mean so much in the lives of those we support. These milestones represent relationships built over time and care that shows up day after day.

As a new year begins, we're reminded that meaningful work often happens day by day - in being present, listening, and sharing life's everyday moments. To everyone who is part of the Filling Homes community - our staff, families, volunteers, and supporters - thank you for being part of this season and for helping make our homes places where people can live fully, right where they are.

Warmly,

*Carol Slight*

Filling Homes extends heartfelt congratulations and appreciation to the Women's Guild of Filling Homes for their incredible work in hosting a successful Fall Fling fundraiser. Through their tireless efforts and unwavering dedication, the event raised over \$22,900 in support of the Filling Homes Transportation Fund.

We are deeply grateful for the Women's Guild's generosity, passion, and continued belief in the mission of Filling Homes. Their support truly helps move our mission forward—one ride at a time, as proceeds from the Fall Fling benefit the transportation fund of Filling Homes.



## Leadership Team

Carol Slight  
Vice President



Amy Krassow  
Director of ICF Services



Jenny Borgelt  
Director of Community Services



Tina Parsons  
Director of Mission Advancement



Pictured are Micky Baker, Kathy Guenter, Jean Cohrs, Kathy Lieb, Arlene Freytag, Carol Schroeder representing the Guild.

## Feature Story of an Overcomer!

At Filling Home, care is more than a mission, it's a community built through meaningful relationships, growth, and daily moments that lift the spirit. This month's cover highlights two familiar faces who beautifully reflect that spirit: Lucas and his furry friend, Bourbon.

Lucas's journey to Filling Home began following a life-changing automobile accident in June 2012. He was in a coma for four months and the accident caused a traumatic brain injury, with paralysis being one of its lasting effects. After spending a full year in various medical facilities focusing on stabilization, rehabilitation, and recovery, Lucas moved to Filling Home in June 2013. What began as a transition into long-term care soon became the foundation of a new chapter filled with purpose, resilience, and connection.

Shortly before his accident, Lucas was a proud high school football player and an enthusiastic athlete. His passion for sports has never faded. These days, he still keeps up with games, teams, and scores, staying connected to the energy and excitement he has always loved.

Today, Lucas's life at Filling Home is shaped by independence, engagement, and strong ties with both staff and fellow residents. His family remains a constant, cherished part of his life, deeply involved and always supporting him, while Filling Home has become the place he comfortably calls home.

Lucas stays active and engaged on campus through regular Occupational and Physical Therapy sessions, always approaching therapy with determination. He also participates in paid employment through the Main Campus Adult Day Services program, where he performs shredding work that he takes great pride in. Outside of work and therapy, he enjoys chatting with family on Facebook, challenging staff to lively Connect Four matches, and independently exploring campus in his motorized wheelchair.

One of his favorite places on campus is the heated therapy pool—a space where he can stretch, relax, and experience a sense of movement and ease that the water uniquely provides. Over the years, Lucas has formed strong friendships with residents and staff alike, strengthening the sense of belonging that defines life at Filling Home.

Adding an extra layer of joy to our community is Bourbon, the lovable two and a half year old miniature Doodle belonging to Sue Sonnenberg, Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant at Filling Homes. Bourbons gentle spirit and eagerness to connect have already made him something of a campus celebrity.

Lucas's story is a powerful reminder of what becomes possible when compassionate care, family involvement, and a supportive community come together. By supporting Filling Home, you are helping enrich lives like Lucas's and so many others who call our community home. Your generosity ensures that residents continue to receive not only the care they need, but the meaningful experiences, relationships, and opportunities that help them flourish. At Filling Home, care is more than a mission—it's a shared commitment to dignity, growth, and moments that lift the spirit.

We invite you to be part of this story. Consider making a gift, advocating for our mission, or learning more about how you can support Filling Home. Together, we can continue building a community where every individual is known, valued, and empowered to live life to the fullest.



## New Mission Advancement Director Announced

We are excited to announce Tina Parsons as Filling Homes' new Mission Advancement Director.

Tina has been a part of the Filling Homes family for the past two years, serving in Public Relations, and brings 13 years of experience in the Developmental Disability field. Throughout her time with Filling Homes, Tina has demonstrated a deep commitment to our mission and a genuine passion for the individuals we serve.



In her new role, Tina will focus on strengthening community involvement, expanding awareness of Filling Homes' work, and fostering meaningful partnerships that support long-term impact. She is deeply committed to honoring the dedication and heart of Filling Homes staff, recognizing that their daily efforts create stability, trust, and belonging in every home.

Tina values the ongoing relationships with donors and supporters whose generosity sustains our mission, and she is passionate about building upon those connections to create lasting impact.

*"Filling Homes is a place where people truly care about the individuals we serve, the staff who support them, and the community that surrounds us." Tina shared. "I'm honored to continue this work and to help strengthen the connections that allow our mission to grow."*

Please join us in congratulating Tina as she steps into this exciting new role.

## A Night with the Globetrotters

Direct Support Professionals James Travis and Deanna Smith recently helped create a memorable experience for two residents by attending a Harlem Globetrotters game together. The evening was made especially meaningful through Deanna's generosity, as she personally purchased the tickets to ensure the residents could enjoy this exciting opportunity.

The group enjoyed an action-packed night that included meeting members of the Harlem Globetrotters team, having basketballs and t-shirts signed, and capturing plenty of photos to remember the experience. The joy and excitement shared throughout the evening reflected just how powerful these moments can be.

Outings like this highlight the heart of the work our Direct Support Professionals do every day. James and Deanna's dedication, kindness, and passion for enriching the lives of the individuals they support go beyond daily routines, creating meaningful experiences that build connection, confidence, and lasting memories.



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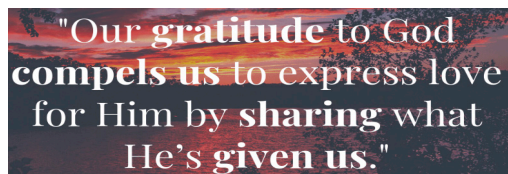
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*October 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.*

*If we have failed to list your name or have listed your gift incorrectly, please accept our apologies and contact Emma*

*Cohrs at 419-592-6451 or [emmacohrs@fillinghome.org](mailto:emmacohrs@fillinghome.org)*

*Thank you for your support of Filling Homes' Mission*

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## Filling Homes Staff Recognized for Years of Service

Filling Homes is proud to recognize and celebrate the dedication of our team members who have reached important service milestones. Their commitment, compassion, and years of service have made a lasting impact on the individuals we support and the mission we carry out every day.

**45 Years of Service**

Ann Thayer

**35 Years of Service**

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**30 Years of Service**

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# MISSION



### Our Mission

Rooted in faith, we support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, enriching lives full of value, hope and choice within their community.

### Our Core Values

Treat all with Respect  
Act with Integrity  
Serve as Faithful Stewards  
Strive for Excellence

### Our Ministries

#### Intermediate Care Facility (ICF)

Filling Home Campus, Napoleon  
Cardinal Home, Bryan  
Egly Home, West Unity

#### Supported Living Homes & Services

Fulton, Henry, & Defiance counties

#### Adult Day Services Programs

Filling Home Community Center, Napoleon  
Soaring Arts, Napoleon  
Studio Express, Napoleon  
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#### Filling Home of Mercy

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- Balance bars along pool walls.
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# Purses for a Purpose

## DESIGNER PURSE BINGO

Join us for an exciting evening of bingo, designer handbags, and community connection—all to support the individuals served by Filling Homes.

**April 23, 2026**

Filling Homes Community Center

Doors Open at 4:30 PM

BINGO begins at 6:00 PM



Featuring designer brands:

- Kate Spade
- Coach
- Michael Kors
- & More!

More Details to Come!

We can't wait to see you there!



### MATCHING FUNDS!

Thanks to the generosity of the Hanson Family, donations will be matched dollar-for-dollar—up to \$50,000!