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Eben Ezer Family Newsletter

CEO Report ~ NOVEMBER 2025

"The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance." ~ 2 Peter 3:9

ADVOCACY EFFORTS

The value of political advocacy lies in its ability to shape society, influence policy, and ensure that diverse voices are represented in decision-making. Here at Eben Ezer, I have learned how important and necessary this work is for our organization and all those we serve. The decision made by our elected officials has real impacts. They need to be informed on how their decisions may affect their constituents.

- Advocacy empowers citizens and groups to engage actively in the democratic process.
- It goes beyond voting — allowing people to influence laws, regulations, and priorities through petitions, lobbying, public campaigns, and direct engagement with leaders.
- Not all communities have equal access to power. Advocacy ensures that underrepresented or vulnerable groups (e.g., elderly, people with disabilities, and others) can have their needs and perspectives heard.
- This promotes equity and social justice in policymaking.
- Many major reforms — such as civil rights, environmental protection, or labor rights — originated from sustained advocacy movements.
- Advocacy can catalyze legislative and social change by raising awareness, mobilizing support, and holding institutions accountable.

This week I will be at the annual LeadingAge conference, joining together with other leaders in the field of senior living during very challenging times for the aging services sector. Many providers are feeling discouraged by the devastating cutbacks in store for social safety net programs, including Medicaid. Providers worldwide are struggling to meet the rapidly growing needs of the global aging population. Many of us are worried about what the future might bring amid the shrinking workforce and increasing demands for those needing diverse levels of care needs. Yet, others feel isolated as they try to fulfill their missions amid mounting challenges and shrinking public support. This is the time for us to keep charging ahead to ensure our elders receive the care and services they need and that the value of our services is acknowledged amongst the payors to ensure our team members receive compensation commensurate to the work, energy, and compassion they give.

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Gods Work. Our Hands.

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Here at home myself, Board members, and other members of senior administration have been meeting one-on-one with our local, state, and federal leaders to advocate for those we serve. This fall, I have already met with State Representative Dusty Johnson and staff members from Representative Lauren Boebert's office. I have upcoming meetings scheduled with staff members from Governor Polis's office and Senator Hickenlooper's office. We continue to reach out to all the other legislative bodies to advocate for all these needs. We know the pool of resources is limited and not getting bigger but through these conversations engagement of our politicians will allow us to problem solve and find ways to best meet the needs of those we serve. We are committed to ensuring our voices are heard.

I will continue to educate, stay active, and advocate as often as I can. If you are interested in more information or ways you can join the effort, please reach out to me.

~ Shelly



Resident Services Extensions

Heather Johnson, Resident Services Manager ext. 9257

Chris Garfield, Social Worker ext. 9252 (Deaconess/Elim & Madsen)

Melissa Bledsoe ext. 9239 (Sommerlyst & Madsen)

Life Enrichment Coordinators ext. 9222

Cassandra Rohn, Beautician—ext. 9221

We care for your loved one, let us care for you too!

If you are interested in communicating with your loved one via technology (facetime, skype, duo, facebook, etc.) please reach out to the Social Services office to set this up. We understand how hard it is not seeing your loved one, we would like to help with this.

Alzheimer's Support Group

MONDAY, November 10th, 2025 Noon—1:00 pm — Dahms-Talton Legacy Living

1620 Riverview Ave., Ft Morgan, Colorado

Kindly RSVP at (970) 842-2861 x 9246 or text 970-370-0856

- Would you like to gain a better understanding of Alzheimer's Disease and dementia?
- Be around those who understand your struggles or who have similar experiences.
- Learn more about caregiving resources and options available.
- Ask questions about specific caregiving struggles.
- Take this opportunity to be a part of a supportive community whether you wish to share your experiences or simply listen.

This support group can provide emotional support for individuals with a loved one that lives in a nursing home, at your home, or for those who provide care from a distance.

The Eden Alternative Domains of Well-Being

Well-being is a human right.

IDENTITY - being well-known, having personhood, individuality, having a history

GROWTH – development, enrichment, expanding, evolving

AUTONOMY – liberty, self-determination, choice, freedom

SECURITY – freedom from doubt, anxiety, or fear, safety, privacy, dignity, respect

CONNECTEDNESS – belonging, engaged, involved, connected to time, place, and nature

MEANING – significance, heart, hope, value, purpose, sacredness

JOY – happiness, pleasure, delight, contentment, enjoyment

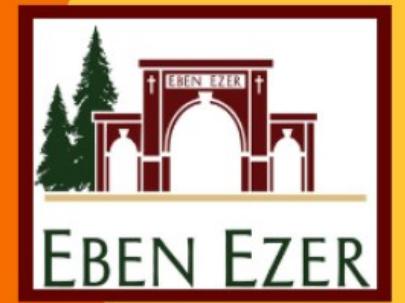


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HONORED FOR HER
SERVICE**



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YOUR SERVICE ELLEN



TO FIND OUT MORE VISIT WWW.EDENALTERNATIVE.ORG



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INVITES YOU TO
Veterans Day Lunch



November 11, 2025

Noon - 1:30

122 Hospital Rd. in Brush
Multi-purpose Room

FOOD, MUSIC, GREAT COMPANY

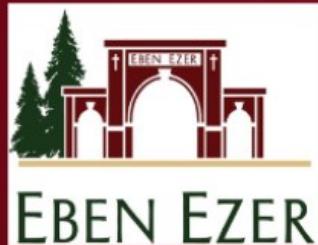
RSVP TO 970-842-2861

OR SCHAVEZ@EBENEZER.ORG

BHS PEP RALLY

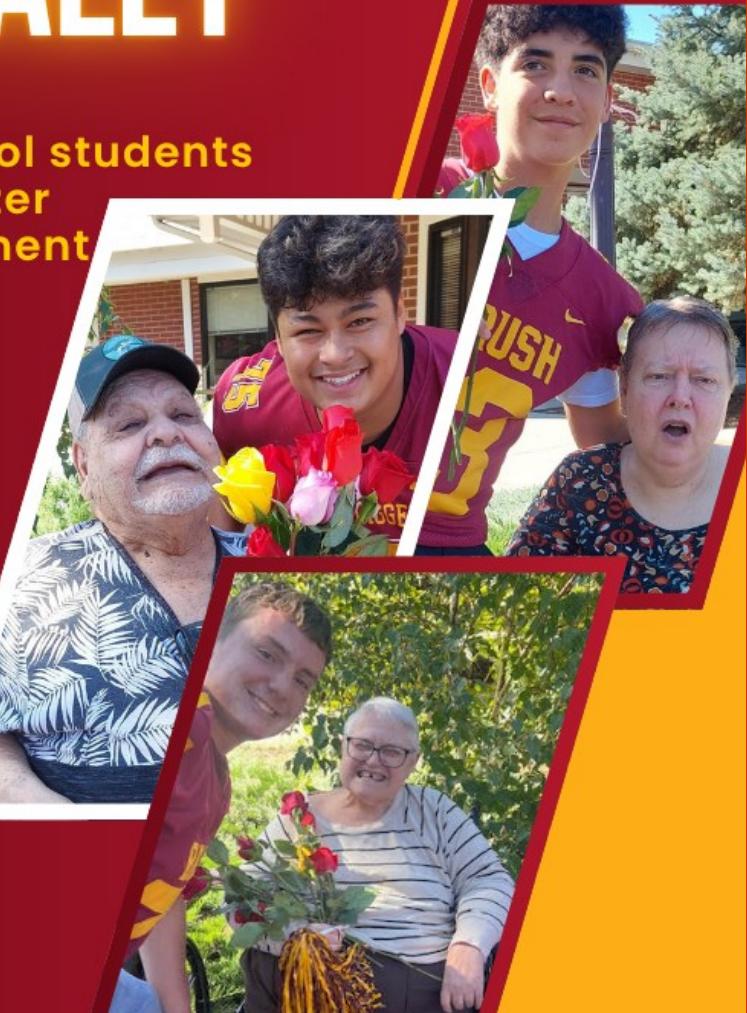
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for including the Eben Ezer
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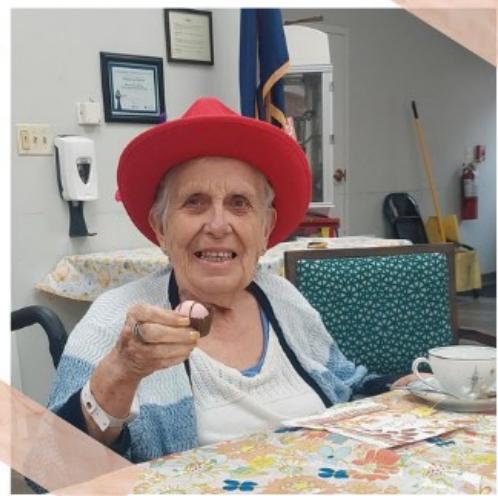
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ALICE IN WONDERLAND MAD HATTER TEA





Eben Ezer Skilled Nursing
Family Christmas Dinner

SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2025 - 5PM
122 HOSPITAL RD.
BRUSH CO

Details to follow

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November

Red = Education community meetings or events

Green = Community - celebrations or events

Black = Reoccurring activities or events

Blue = skilled outings FCY- Front Court Yard

AR-Activity Room MMP - Multi-purpose room

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 ALL SAINTS DAY DAY OF THE DEAD BEGINS
2	3 9:30 Worship Service ASLC 2 Keyboard Music by Jimmy SR	4	5	6	7 NATIVE AMERICAN DAY 9:30 Movie & popcorn 2 Native American Food Tasting Sensory AR	8
9	10 WORLD SCIENCE DAY 9:30 Worship Service ASLC	11 VETERAN'S DAY 12:00 VETERAN'S DAY LUNCH MPR Music 'Pano by Margaret and Violinist Danika	12	13 WORLD KINDNESS DAY 10 Men's Group with Lany SR	14 NATIONAL PICKLE DAY 2 Piano by Cathy and Pickle tasting AR	15
16	17 9:30 Worship Service ASLC 2 Music with Richard AR	18	19 3:30 Friendsgiving Pie tasting AR	20 UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY Reading and crafts with Thomson students	21 10 Decorate tree for Vision of Trees The Sanctuary 2 Happy Hour, Pigs in the blanket, and Music by Silver AR	22 9 Vision of Tree Outing The Sanctuary
23	24 9:30 Worship Service ASLC	25	26 NATIONAL CAKE DAY 10 Resident Council SR 3:30 Mini cake baking and decorating AR	27 9:30 Worship Service ASLC 	28	29 
30	31 9:30 Worship Service ASLC					3:30 Wednesday's Location TBD

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