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CEO Report—June 2026

"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

While the future can feel full of uncertainty, complexity, and constant disruption, the Board and leaders at Eben Ezer still need practical ways to think about what may be coming next. Scenario planning, a strategic exercise in which leaders brainstorm, outline, and explore possible future events or situations to help them make better decisions in the present day, is one popular approach.

This strategic planning exercise has been done for many years with the Board, and now with the advent of artificial intelligence (AI), leaders and Boards have a slew of new devices at their fingertips. For aging services, a sector being shaped by many forces at once, from workforce shortages, demographic shifts, financial pressure, and changing consumer expectations to new technology, and new models of care and service delivery, there's a real need for tools that can help manage and plan in a complex operational environment. Any one of these trends would be significant on its own. Together, they create a level of uncertainty that makes traditional planning more difficult.

The Possibility of Using AI for Visioning

Using generative AI, such as ChatGPT, Microsoft Copilot, Google Gemini, or Claude can provide example prompts that help build different future scenarios. This is where AI can be especially helpful. Instead of asking AI for a single prediction, participants can use AI to explore multiple ways the future could unfold. This could be a helpful planning tool.

A leadership team, for example, could ask an AI tool to generate several possible scenarios for what aging services might look like in 2035. One scenario might focus on how the sector's workforce will evolve to meet future needs. Another might imagine a future shaped by consumer technology and home-based care. A third might explore what happens if financing pressures, such as reduced Medicaid reimbursements, reshape the provider landscape. AI's value is its ability to create structured possibilities that jumpstart discussions about what will be needed in the future.

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Gods Work. Our Hands.

If this approach with AI is used, leaders can take those scenarios and begin asking better questions: Which scenario feels most plausible? Which would be most disruptive? What early signals would tell us this future is becoming more likely? What decisions should we make today to be better prepared?

AI Could Help Teams Take the First Step

When AI is given more context, such as the type of organization, the population served, the current challenges, or the strategic question we might be trying to explore, the responses can become more relevant.

Of course, AI-generated responses still need to be reviewed carefully. Leaders need to validate information, question assumptions, and apply their own knowledge of their organization, staff, residents, clients, and community. AI can expand thinking, but it cannot replace judgment.

The broader takeaway is that AI can make strategic foresight more accessible. Eben Ezer leaders and Board can use the tools to look ahead, think differently, and prepare for more than one possible future. AI can help teams to take the first step and explore uncertainty, imagine different futures, and identify the decisions that may matter most.

~ Shelly



Resident Services Extensions

Heather Johnson, Resident Services Manager ext. 9257
Chris Garfield, Social Worker ext. 9252 (Deaconess/Elim & Madsen)
TBD ext. 9239 (Sommerlyst & Madsen)
Life Enrichment Coordinators ext. 9222—Katie; Brenda; Makayla
Cassandra Rohn, Beautician—ext. 9221
Angela Vonarx Kellogg, Beautician—ext 9221

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2026 Noon—1:00 pm — Eben Ezer

122 Hospital Rd, Brush

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



CONNECTEDNESS!

JOY!

***SENIOR
PROM!***



MEANING!

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EBEN EZER

CALLING ALL COMMUNITY
GROUPS, CLUBS, YOUTH
GROUPS OR FAMILIES
LOOKING FOR A COMMUNITY
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

**THE EBEN EZER NEIGHBORS
INVITE YOU TO THEIR CAMPUS
TO BE PART OF ADDING BEAUTY
TO THE PLACE CALLED HOME**

You could be part of -

Serving others

Connecting with Older Adults

Intergenerational engagement

Bringing JOY to neighbors on the campus



**HORTICULTURE
OPPORTUNITY**

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
OPPORTUNITY**

**ADOPT AN
EBEN EZER
FLOWER BED**

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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BRUSH SUPPORT GROUP & EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's can be overwhelming, but you don't have to do it alone. Join the Brush' Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group for a safe and supportive space to share experiences, gain helpful resources, and connect with others who understand your journey. Meetings are held monthly and are open to all caregivers seeking support.

When: Second Tuesday every other month (even months)

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**Place: Eben Ezer
122 Hospital Rd. Brush CO 80723**



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Ft. Morgan SUPPORT GROUP & EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

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When: Second Tuesday every other month (odd months)

Time: Noon - 1:00 p.m.

**Place: Dahms-Talton Legacy Living
1620 Riverview Ave. Ft. Morgan**



RSVP 970-842-2861 ext. 9246

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**EBEN EZER
GIFT SHOP**

OPEN

WEDNESDAY'S

10:00 AM - NOON

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 9 Eden Apprentice Training AR	4 5:30 Thursday Night Concert and Dinner - Fort Morgan Library Park - Platte Valley Band	5 9 Eden Apprentice Training AR 2 Happy Hour AR	6
7 9:15 Worship Services ASC	8	9	10	11	12 10 Water Day West Grass Area	13 2:00 Keyboard with Jimmy SR
14 9:15 Worship Service ASC	15	16	17 10 Melon Sensory Activity Room	18 2:00 Sing a long with Cathy AR 5:30 Thursday Night Concert and Dinner - Fort Morgan Library Park - Buckstein	19 10 Eben Ezer Luau – West Parking Lot	20
21 9:15 Worship Service ASC	22 2:45 Yoga with Meghan SR	23	24	25	26 10 Petting Zoo West Grass Area	27
28 9:15 Worship Service ASC 2:00 Pianist Bob Sagel AR	29	30				



Water Fun Day!

Friday, June 12
10am
West Grass Area

**Cool snacks
and drinks!**



Join us!



YOU ARE INVITED
TO EBEN EZER

LUAU PARTY

Come and enjoy a day full of fun, music,
and tropical flavors! Hawaiian Pig roast,
Polynesian inspired sides, and drinks

FRIDAY - JUNE 19
11:00 AM

122 HOSPITAL RD BRUSH
West parking lot between
Dahms Talton
and Tabor Apartments

Entertainment by
Vicky's School of Dance at 11:00
Au- Malama Polynesian Dance Arts
at Noon

QUESTIONS? CALL 970-842-2861

A vibrant, cartoon-style illustration of a petting zoo. In the foreground, a young girl in a blue dress feeds a brown and white goat. To her left, a boy in a red shirt pets a small brown goat. To the right, a family (mother, father, and two children) are gathered around a white sheep and two rabbits. The ground is covered in green grass with yellow and white daisies. In the background, there are green trees, a red barn, and a bright yellow sun. The sky is blue with white clouds. Various farm animals are scattered throughout: two yellow chicks in the top left, two grey rabbits in the top right, two brown goats in the middle left and right, and two more yellow chicks in the middle left and right. The text is overlaid on the sky and sun areas.

PETTING ZOO

JUNE 26

10AM

WEST GRASS AREA

**IF YOU'D LIKE TO BRING YOUR
FURRY FRIEND, PLEASE DO SO**

**ALL FURRY FRIENDS
WILL STAY OUTSIDE!**

CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION



SENIOR PROM—A NIGHT IN RIO!!



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