

April Newsletter

IMPORTANT DAYS

Happy Hour w/Charles Michaels
Apr 4th

AL Lunch
Apr 9th

AL & MC Scenic Drive
Apr 8th

Armchair Travel w/Erin
Apr 9th

Coffee w/Co-Op (LTC)
Apr 10th

Happy Hour w/Betty Debban/PL
Apr 11th

Morning Melodies w/Tom Hofer
Apr 15th

AL Library & Picnic
Apr 17th

Birthday Celebration w/Dave Wirtz
Apr 25th

AL & MC Food Demo
Apr 29th



Shirley Mincey

Margaret Thiese

Peg Lefebure

Jim Rich



HELLO RESIDENTS, TENANTS, FAMILY & FRIENDS!

I am thrilled about the wonderful weather and the exciting activities we have planned for April. We look forward to enjoying various outdoor events and hope that the April showers stay at bay so we can make the most of them.

Please remember as the weather gets warmer to stay hydrated, use sun screen when going outdoors, and with the rainy season approaching please be careful of slippery surfaces.

Additionally, we are pleased to offer families and residents the option to set up direct deposit for monthly payments. For any inquiries or assistance, please feel free to contact our administrator, Chalee.

We kindly ask that any new clothing items brought in for your loved ones are clearly labeled with their names to ensure proper identification.

Lastly, we strongly encourage residents to refrain from bringing valuables to the facility, as there is always a risk of items being misplaced. To safeguard against this, we ask that valuables remain at home.

**Warm Regards,
Dusty**



RECIPE OF THE MONTH



Strawberry Lemonade **Ingredients:**

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- 1 medium lemon, washed, juiced, lemon halves reserved
- ¼ cup (50 g) granulated sugar
- 1 ounce strawberry syrup
- crushed ice
- 1 cup water

Instructions

- Set out a 32-ounce deli container with a lid.
- Juice the lemon into a small bowl. Set aside. Reserve the juiced halves, removing the seeds.
- To the bottom of the container, add the juiced lemon halves.
- Add sugar and freshly squeezed lemon juice.
- Add strawberry syrup.
- Top with crushed ice, filling almost to the top of the container, leaving room for the water.
- Pour in water. Place the lid securely on the container. Flip upside down and shake to mix.
- Serve immediately.

RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT



This month, we are thrilled to showcase Joyce, a cherished member of The Gardens community for several years. Joyce's life story is truly remarkable. She married her high school sweetheart in 1974, and together they shared an incredible 74½ years of love and companionship. They were blessed with two children—a son who is married and lives in Reno, Nevada, and a daughter who is also married and resides in Palm Springs, California.

Joyce's professional journey is equally inspiring. She dedicated 41 years to the airport as the friendly face at the reception desk and also worked for AT&T and Northwestern Bell. Her love of adventure has taken her far and wide; Joyce has traveled extensively, visiting Europe four times and Hawaii three times, and enjoying four unforgettable cruises.

In her leisure time, Joyce finds joy in playing bingo, solving puzzles, indulging in happy hour, enjoying noodle ball, engaging in delightful conversations, and cherishing moments with loved ones and friends. She has a taste for life—especially when it includes a good glass of wine or a refreshing vodka seven.

Joyce's favorite part about The Gardens is her apartment and the abundance of activities that keep her engaged and entertained. Her heartfelt advice to others: "Just keep busy!"

Joyce embodies the spirit of our community, and we are honored to have her with us.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS



Barbara F.
Apr. 13th

Matthew S.
Apr. 15th

Larry S.
Apr. 21st

Judy S.
Apr. 22nd

Judith K.
Apr. 29th



Laughing Corner

Why shouldn't you tell an Easter egg a joke?

It might crack up.



How does the Easter Bunny stay in shape?

He eggs-ercises everyday!

What kind of stories does the Easter Bunny like?

Ones with hoppy endings.

Why did the Easter egg hide?

Because it was a little chicken.

How do bunnies stay cool during the summer?

With hare-conditioning!



April History

April in history is marked by events like the beginning of the American Civil War with the attack on Fort Sumter (April 12, 1861), the sinking of the Titanic (April 15, 1912), and the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln (April 14, 1865).

MEMORY CARE FOOD DEMO

COOKING ACTIVITY

With Jill

JELLYBEAN MOCKTAIL

CHICKEN SALAD STUFFED CARROTS

MUNNY BUNNY Snack Mix

TUESDAY, APRIL 29TH Join Us!

10:00AM IN THE MC DINING ROOM

ASSISTED LIVING FOOD DEMO

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2:00PM IN THE AL DINING ROOM



EASTER EGG HUNT



APRIL 18 2025	Free Entry	4PM 5PM	-
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5710 Dean Rd SW
Cookies & Drinks will be provided.

RSVP NOW

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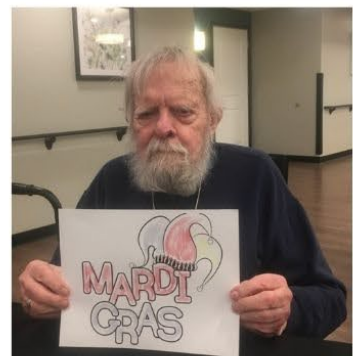


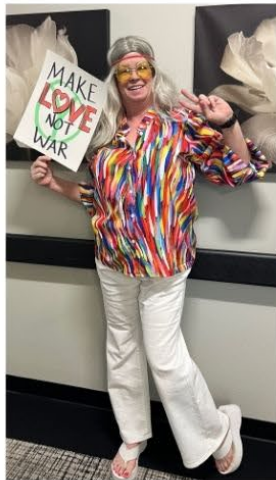
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FOOD
DEMO







Dress Up **DAYS**





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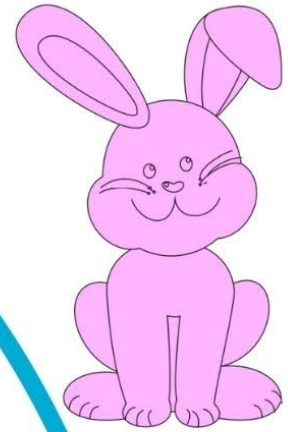
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APPRECIATION



Easter

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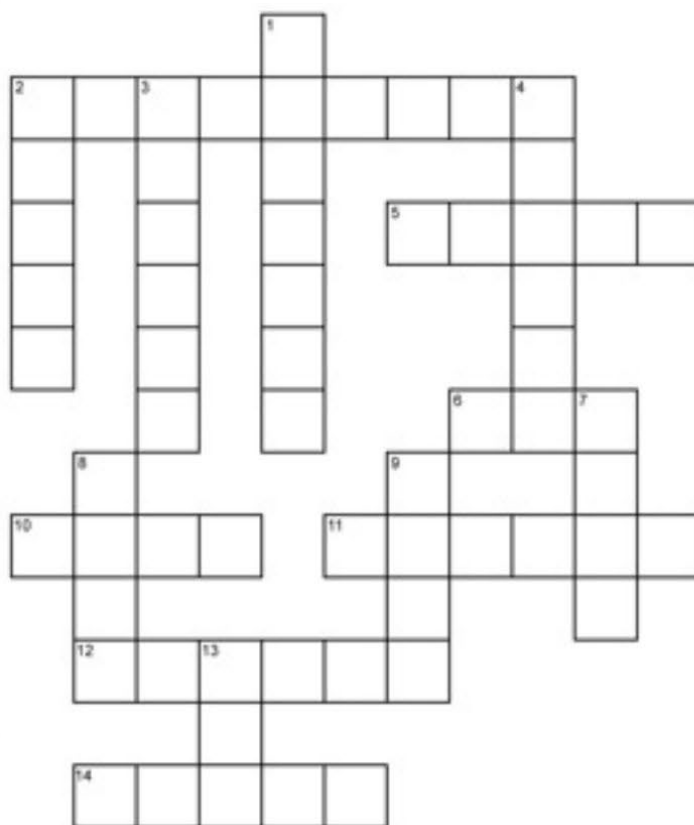
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CELEBRATION
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EGGS
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FLOWERS

HIDE
HOP
PEEP
RABBIT

Easter Crossword



Across

- 2 - A mother duck keeps a close eye on her ____.
- 5 - Easter's month.
- 6 - Which came first, the chicken or the ____?
- 10 - A mother cow gives milk to her ____.
- 11 - Easter is always on this day of the week.
- 12 - Carry your Easter Eggs in a ____.
- 14 - The Easter ____ hops around the world and delivers presents.

Down

- 1 - April showers bring May ____.
- 2 - Cows give milk for ____ products.
- 3 - A mother hen watches over her baby ____.
- 4 - Easter's season.
- 7 - A baby ____ is called a kid.
- 8 - A baby sheep is called a ____.
- 9 - In the backyard, the kids are having an Easter Egg ____.
- 13 - The ____ warms the earth and brings light to the world.

