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Celebrating April

April Fools Day
April 1

**National Peanut
Butter & Jelly Day**
April 2

**National Grilled
Cheese Day**
April 12

National Tax Day
April 15

Earth Day
April 22



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- Keeping Residents Safe - Use of Enhanced Barrier Precautions

A message from:

Shelly Ward, Director of Infection Control/Education

Dear Residents, Families, Friends, and Volunteers:

You may have noticed new signs on some doors that say, "Enhanced Barrier Precautions" and staff wearing gowns and gloves more often. We're doing this based on new recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to protect our residents and staff from getting germs that can cause serious infections that are hard to treat. You may have heard these germs called multidrug-resistant organisms or MDROs in the news.

Studies have shown that more than 50% of nursing home residents have these germs on or in their body, especially in places where the skin is broken, such as wounds or insertion sites of medical devices like feeding tubes. Most of the time people never know they are carrying these germs but under certain conditions they can enter the body and cause serious infections.

Fortunately, there are many things we can do to keep these germs from spreading, but we need your help!

1. Cleaning our hands- Alcohol-based hand sanitizer can kill these germs and keep us from spreading them with our hands. This is why we remind you and your visitors to frequently clean your hands.
2. Using gowns and gloves- Since we can't wash our clothes between caring for residents, gowns and gloves help keep these germs from getting on our clothing and spreading to others when we are having close contact with residents. This is why you might see us wearing gown and gloves when we are performing transfers or other activities involving a lot of contact with a resident. Just because we are wearing gowns and gloves does not mean that a resident is carrying one of these germs. We also wear them to protect residents who might be more vulnerable to developing a serious infection if exposed to these germs.

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We will also wear them if we expect a care activity to be messy, like if we are changing a dressing on a wound.

To support these practices, you will see more alcohol-based hand sanitizer dispensers, carts to hold clean gowns and gloves, and trash cans so we can change gowns and gloves between residents. You will also see more signs to help remind staff when they should be wearing gowns and gloves.

We are always happy to answer any questions you might have about actions we are taking to protect our residents and staff and appreciate your support!

Please contact us with additional questions at: (540) 672-2611 EXT: 7003

Sincerely,
Michelle Ward RN, BSN, CLNC



Let's Ride



Remember to sign up!

Bus Ride

Tues. April 2 -2:00PM
(Main Floor Residents)

Lunch Outing Country Cooking Depot

Tues. April 16
**Residents are responsible for their own meal*

Bus Ride

Tues. April 23 -2:00PM
(Ground Floor Residents)
See Activities Staff to reserve your spot!

upcoming EVENTS

- Catholic Mass
- Bus Rides
- Lunch Outing
- Hotdog Fundraiser
- National Peanut Butter & Jelly Day Social
- Music by Waterfall Trio'
 - Gospel Music by Smokie Wilson
- Sounds of Hope with Mary
- National Grilled Cheese Day Social
- Freckles & Fun Balloon Art
 - Lunch Outing
- Music by Keith Campbell
- Resident Council Monthly Meeting
 - Music by Adam
- Monthly Birthday Bash
 - Bollywood Fitness
- Paint & Sip with Regina of-Medi Home Health
 - Patsy Cline Music
- Music by Singing Grandpa
- Strong Memory Activities

Happy Birthday



- Danny Dang 4-1
- Charles Warner 4-2
- Jasper Breeden 4-3
- Marjorie Talley 4-4
- Doris Williams 4-9
- Patricia Cook 4-13
- Constance Chapin 4-16
- Keveney Mundy 4-22
- Mary Watkins 4-23
- Judith Carter 4-25

Monthly Birthday Bash
April 19th 2PM
Main Dining Room



Monthly activity calendar subject to change, check daily activities posted on nursing units

**JOIN
US!**

**Dining
Discussions**

Friday April 12th &
Friday April 26th
9:00 AM
Main Dining Room

**Warm weather approaching,
please be sure to tell your
nurse/CNA before heading
outdoors , ask staff to
apply sunscreen.**

**Monthly Resident
Council Meeting**

Thursday April 18th
10:30 AM
Main Dining Room

**SIGN UP
NOW!**

Dogwood Village Health & Rehab

HOTDOG
fundraiser



WEDNESDAY APRIL 10TH

\$7 for Hotdog, Chips, Drink & Cookie

**Sign up by with Activities Staff
by April 8th EXT: 7036**



Radiant Memories
A TRIBUTE TO THE GOLDEN AGE OF RADIO

NATIONAL SKILLED NURSING CARE WEEK** MAY 12-18, 2024

Join us!

Dogwood Village Health & Rehab

Family Night Picnic

May 15, 2024

5:00pm - 6:30pm

Menu

Chicken Salad on Croissant
Lettuce & Tomato
Pasta Salad
Deviled Eggs
Pickles
Chips
Red Velvet Cupcakes for Dessert
Bottled Water & Canned Drinks

RSVP by May 10th

Gayle Collier, Activities Director
540-661-3100 x 7036
please limit 3 guests per resident

***All monies raised will go towards resident activities**