January Fun Facts





January Holidays







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Age Magnificently



Our Community Newsletter

Discover what's going on in yur neck of the woods.

Lets Celebrate!

Staff Birthdays

1/1- Maryan Hassan

1/7- Steven Daniels

1/9- Ella Taylor

1/16- Kayla Wann

1/20- Brenda Minder

1/23- Megan Falkowski

1/26- Rhonda Grimes

1/30- RoseAnn Matykiewxicz

Staff Anniversaries

Nicole Drewlo- 16 years Brenda Minder- 8 years

Kimberly Heldt- 4 years

Megan Falkowski- 2 years

Jesieca Waldron- 2 years

Days to Celebrate in Janurary

1st- New Years Day

4th- National Trivia Day

9th- National Law Enforcement Day

11th- National Milk Day

15th- Martain Luther King Jr. Day

18th- Gourmet Coffee Day

19th- National Popcorn Day

20th- National Cheese Lovers Day

23rd- National Pie Day

27th- Holocaust Remembrance Day

29th- National Puzzle Day

31st- National Hot Chocolate Day

TRYathlon 2024

TRYathlon™ — TOURNAMENT —

Tuesdays & Thursdays

Scrimmage Week	1/16 and 1/18	RBS- 1/19
Week 1	1/23 and 1/24	RBS- 1/26
Week 2	1/30 and 2/1	RBS- 2/2
Week 3	2/6 and 2/8	RBS- 2/9
Week 4	2/13 and 2/15	RBS 2/16
Week 5	2/20 and 2/22	RBS 2/23
Week 6	2/27 and 2/29	RBS 3/1
Week 7	3/ 5 and 3/7	RBS 3/8
Final Four	3/12 and 3/14	RBS 3/15
World Championship	3/19 and 3/21	No RBS

RBS= REALLY BIG SHOW

TRYathlon Info.

Tryathlon events are designed so people with a wide range of physical and cognitive abilities can participate. Teams compete head-to-head in three events weekly and compile their scores to accumulate miles reached over the competition period.

2024.















What Are Virtual Programs?

Virtual Learning Programs

They are live and interactive presentations that connect residents with interesting people in amazing places through video conferencing.

Current programs connect with museums, national parks, experts, and authors to cover a variety of lifelong learning subjects. See the attachment for the 2024 schedule!

How Do They Work?

Residents and prospects gather in front of the Chapel TV/ conferencing system.

The presenter is coming live via the conferencing TV and there is a program moderator that helps facilitate questions from the audience.

The community staff members are able to submit questions using the live chat at any time during the program for the presenter to answer, making the experience much different from merely watching a documentary where the audience has no ability to interact.

When Do They Happen?

There will be a virtual program on the first Thursday of each month from 2:00pm - 3:00pm CT for 2024.

The July program is scheduled for Monday July 1st at

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Spark Performances

Aging Magnificently is a team sport. We become stronger, healthier, and happier individuals when we come together as a community. Through our Spark Performance League, we build relationships and challenge one another as we break from the myth that aging is an inevitable decline. Our athletes believe these performances are more than competition, they're about connecting to greater strength, purpose, and belonging (and a whole lot of fun!). Designed by Dr. Bill Thomas, these performances promote healthy aging by purposefully engaging the mind, body, and spirit. With roles for athletes, cheerleaders, analysts, scouts, practice coordinators, rhythm sections and so much more, we promise you, there's a place for you and your skills in our Spark Performance League. Welcome to our team!





Support

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Veterans Wall

If you have not done so, please submit your picture to be featured on our Veteran's Wall.

Feedback Forms

Information

Feedback Forms are located on each unit on the wall in a bin. Staff, residents and families are encouraged to use the forms at any time they have a comment/suggestion they would like to share with management.



Chaplain's Chat Welcome

WELCOME!

New to Birchwood Health Care Center



Recent Move-ins:

Cynthia M. 155A Kevin B. 148A Leland "Chris" C 136A Warren J. 162A

This year we are combining the Community Life Calendar themes with the Employee **Engagement Themes.** "Adventure Awaits in 2024"

adverture Awaits WORLD OF LOVE IS IN THE AIR IN "MARCH

FEBRUARY, AND SO IS MAGIC! WELCOME TO GET READY TO FACE THE THE MONTH OF "LOVE FROSTY FRONTIER! JANUARY CALLS FOR A BUNDLE UP IN WARMTH IN WINTER EXPEDITION" UMBRELLAS THIS NOVEMBER AS WE PRIL AND JUMP DISCOVER THE TO A WORLD OF ENCHANTMENT OF THE NIGHT SKY IN "STARRY TO GATHER YOUR HARVEST SPIRIT AND MBRACE THE MAGIC OF FALL DURING A "FALL EXTRAVANGANZA HATS AS WE BLAST OFF INTO "MISSION IN OCTOBER, THE AIR IS CHARGED WITH MYSTERY! TO MAY"! PREPARE TO CHART YOUR ALL ABOARD AS ENTER COURSE ON "A SPOOKY THE MONTHY OF DECEMBER ON "A POLAR EXPRESS EXPEDITION **GRAB YOUR** COME ESCAPE TO A XPLORER'S HAT AS WORLD OF TROPICAL DIVE INTO THE ALLURE IN AUGUST DEPTHS OF AS WE EMBARK ON ADVENTURE IN JULY AN "ISLAND PARADISE AS WE JUMP INTO AN UNDER THE SEA DISCOVERY"!

Renewal

Kathleen McCauley Campus Chaplain

As we embark on another new year, it is a great opportunity to renew. Renew our outlook on life, renew our commitment to health and wellness and renew our spirit and soul. Renewing our soul/spirit is sometimes a challenge for us; not because we don't deeply desire it, but because it is elusive/mysterious. Oftentimes we believe the use of the familiar tool of discipline is necessary for renewal. More disciplined with our prayers and ritual, but we can also renew our souls with enrichment and gentleness. Listening to an inspiring song, spending time in quiet, listening to the birds, writing in a journal etc. These are all spiritual practices that can call forth spiritual growth and renewal.

2 Corinthians 4:16. "So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day."

Happy New Year!

