

# APRIL 2024

## ST. PATRICK'S RESIDENT NEWSLETTER

### The Titanic

On April 10, the RMS Titanic, one of the largest and most luxurious ocean liners ever built, departed Southampton, England, on its maiden voyage across the Atlantic Ocean.

At 2:20 a.m. on April 15, 1912, the British ocean liner Titanic sinks into the North Atlantic Ocean about 400 miles south of Newfoundland, Canada. The massive ship, which carried 2,200 passengers and crew, had struck an iceberg two and half hours before.

The Titanic was considered unsinkable. It also has become immortalized inspiring documentaries, television dramas and Hollywood blockbusters.

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### Chicago Weather

The days in Chicago continue to warm rapidly during April. It is the windiest month in Chicago with considerable rain. The average high temperature is 59 ° with 2 to 4 inches of precipitation.

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### Resident Council

**Friday, April 19 at 10:30 a.m.**  
**Carmel Hall**

We look forward to your ideas! Every resident is an automatic member of the resident council with the rights to attend meetings. Resident Council Minutes are posted on your unit bulletin board. If you are unable to attend, please call Ext. 1528 with your concerns or suggestions.



Laura W.	Apr 4
Loraine L.	Apr 7
John M.	Apr 12
Dolores L.	Apr 16
Alice F.	Apr 19
Julia M.	Apr 22
Charles C.	Apr 27
Marilyn T.	Apr 30

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### Flower: Daisy

April's flower is the daisy, one of the oldest and best-known English flowers. According to legend, the first daisy appeared when a young nymph turned herself into one to avoid unwanted attention. Thus, the flower has come to symbolize modesty, chastity, and innocence. The daisy is also used to tell if "he loves me" or "loves me not."

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### Birthstone: Diamond

The birthstone for April is the diamond. For centuries, this stone has signified romance, intrigue, power, greed, and magic. In the Middle Ages, it was used to cure headaches and to create love potions. Today, it symbolizes everlasting love.

### April Quote

*"Nature does not hurry, yet everything is accomplished."*

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## The Difference is Love

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## Solar Eclipse

What happens during a total solar eclipse? The moon will line up perfectly between the Earth and the sun, blotting out the sunlight. On April 8th, 2024 it will slice a diagonal line from the southwest to the northeast across North America, briefly plunging communities along the track into darkness.

How long is the totality of an eclipse? Totality may only last a few minutes, depending on your location. If you're in the path of totality, expect it to last about 4 minutes.

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## Important Phone Numbers

### Nursing Directors/Managers

Rachel Ext. 1545      Sr. Theresa Ext. 1586  
Lori Ext. 1508      Maira Ext. 1502  
Jessica Ext. 1555      Anna Ext. 1597

### Nurse's Stations

1 West Ext. 1530      3 West Ext. 1550  
2 East Ext. 1560      3 East Ext. 1570

### Life Enrichment Director - Jill Ext. 1528

Claire/Virginia Ext. 1595  
Gloria/Tanfie/Emmy Ext. 1589

### Pastoral Care - Sr. Raphael Ext. 1512

**Personal Funds/Bank** - Brenda Ext. 1506

### Dietary Director - Andrea R. Ext. 1585

Gretta Ext. 1521      Diet Office Ext. 1524

### Social Services -

Andrea M. Ext. 1548 (2 East, 3 East)  
Alison G. Ext. 1587 (2 West, 3 West)

### Maintenance Director - Kevin Ext. 1503

**Housekeeping & Laundry Director -  
Dorota Ext. 1584**

**Salon Appointments** Ext. 1528

**Front Desk "0" for Operator**

**Ombudsman - DuPage County**

Karina Vazquez - 630-407-6483

## April History

**1860 Pony Express** - A mail delivery service powered by hardy riders on fast horses began between Missouri and California, USA. Messages could now be sent between the east and west coasts in just 10 days

**1932 Vitamin C** - A lemony cure US scientist Charles Glen King identified vitamin C in lemon juice. He proved that this vitamin, found in many fruits and vegetables, could cure scurvy – a fatal disease caused by a lack of vitamin C.

**1935 Dust storm** - The day turned dark when an enormous cloud of sand and dust blew into the USA's drought-stricken Southern Plains, giving the area its famous name "The Dust Bowl"

**1938 Here comes Superman!** Comic book legend Superman appeared for the first time in Action Comics #1. Created by US writer and artist duo Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster, Superman was the first comic book hero to have superpowers

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## Life Enrichment Staff

**Tanfie - 2 West**

**Gloria - 3 West**

**Emmy - 2 East**

**Virginia - 3 East**

Our Life Enrichment Team is dedicated to meeting your needs, including but not limited to manicures, gift shop visits, technical assistance, library book selection, greeting card purchases, package assistance, snacks, playing cards/games and providing extra word searches and coloring pages. Please make your requests to your designated team member.