MAY 2025 ST. PATRICK'S RESIDENT NEWSLETTER

Tulips

A few things you might not know about tulips: There are over 150 species of tulips with over 3,000 different varieties. They occur naturally in every color -- except for blue. Their petals are edible. (some taste like lettuce; others, more like peas or cucumbers.) Different colored tulips have different meanings. The red flowers symbolize true love while purple represents loyalty. The Netherlands produces about 60 percent of the world's supply, but tulips grow like weeds across coastal swaths of Europe, Asia, the South Pacific, and even the United States. Here are a few Dutch inspired names of towns in the United States: Holland, Michigan; Wooden Shoes Farm, Oregon; Dutch Mills, Arkansas; Rembrandt, Iowa.

Chicago Weather

The temperatures climb steadily throughout the month with an average high of 70. During this month, we often sees 3.7 inches of rain. May brings in very pleasant weather and tends to be the city's least humid month.

May Quote

"Spread love everywhere you go." -Mother Teresa



Fr. John S.	May 1
Fr. Julian D.	May 3
Maria P.	May 4
Sr. Mary Jean M.	May 5
Marilyn Z.	May 6
Agapita G.	May 8
Sr. Margaret S.	May 10
Mary Jo M.	May 13
Barbara F.	May 14
Sr. Mariette K.	May 16
Casimir S.	May 16
Beverly L.	May 17
Julieta P.	May 20
Margaret M.	May 29
Daniel S.	May 29
Alice Z.	May 30
Carmella U.	May 31

Flower: Lily-of-the-valley

The fragrant lily-of-the-valley signifies sweetness, humility, and a return to happiness. If you want to show your loved one that your life is complete with them, give them a few lilies of the valley.

Birthstone: Emerald

As the birthstone for May, the emerald, a symbol of rebirth, is believed to grant the owner foresight, good fortune, and youth. Emerald, derived from the word "smaragdus," means, quite literally, "green" in Greek. A fine emerald is a truly breathtaking sight, and this member of the beryl family deserves its placement among the traditional "Big Four" gems, along with diamond, ruby, and sapphire.

Maypole Dance Tradition

Maypole dance is a ceremonial folk dance performed around a tall pole garlanded with greenery or flowers and often hung with ribbons that are woven into complex patterns by the dancers.

National Skilled Nursing Care Week May 12-16

Tapestry of Life highlights the meaningful stories that make everyone a unique thread that is woven into the vibrant tapestry if life. This theme celebrates the connections, resilience and strength that unite us all.

Resident Council Monday, May 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.

Life Enrichment Staff

Tanfie - 2 WestAnessa/Emmy- 2 EastGloria - 3 WestVirginia/Vijaya - 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.

Mother's Day

The official Mother's Day holiday arose in the 1900s as a result of the efforts of Anna Jarvis, daughter of Ann Reeves Jarvis. Following her mother's 1905 death, Anna Jarvis conceived of Mother's Day as a way of honoring the sacrifices mothers made for their children.

Important Phone Numbers

Nursing Directors/Managers

Rachel Ext. 1545Sr. Theresa Ext. 1586Jamie Ext. 1502Lori Ext. 1508

Nurse's Stations

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

Restorative Therapy Director

Tammy Ext. 1598

Clinical Services & Advanced Care Andrea M. Ext. 1548

Life Enrichment Director - Jill Ext. 1528 Virginia/Vijaya Ext. 1595

Gloria/Tanfie/Emmy/Anessa Ext. 1589

Social Services

Ebony C. Ext. 1577 Mayra C. Ext. 1596

Pastoral Care Director - Sr. Raphael Ext. 1512

Personal Funds/Bank - Brenda Ext. 1506

Dietary Director - Gary. Ext. 1585 Gretta Ext. 1521 Diet Office Ext. 1524

Maintenance Director - Kevin Ext. 1503

Housekeeping Director - Dorota Ext. 1584 Housekeeping Evening Ext. 1639

Salon Appointments Ext. 1528 Front Desk "0" for Operator

Ombudsman - DuPage County Karina Vazquez - 630-407-6483