

MAY 2026

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 see 3.7 inches of rain. May brings in very pleasant weather and tends to be the city's least humid month.

May Quote

"May flowers always line your path and sunshine light your day." — Irish Blessing

Happy Birthday

Fr. John S.	May 1
Fr. Julian D.	May 3
Maria P.	May 4
Sr. Mary Jean M.	May 5
Marilyn Z.	May 6
Sr. Margaret S.	May 10
Mary Jo M.	May 13
Barbara F.	May 14
Casimir S.	May 16
Beverly L.	May 17
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.

The Difference is Love

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Reporting Concerns Guidelines

We kindly ask all residents to report any concerns that require immediate attention. Please reach out to your unit manager for assistance.

Additionally, you may contact the Director of Nursing, Rachel, at Ext. 1545, or Sr. Anthony at Ext. 1505. We encourage you not to wait until the Resident Council meeting to voice your concerns.

Residents' Rights

As a resident of a long-term care facility, you maintain the same rights as every citizen of Illinois and the United States. If you would like a copy of the Residents' Rights, please request one from your designated social services representative, and a copy will be provided.

2nd Floor -Ebony: Ext 1577

3rd Floor - Mayra: Ext 1596

1st Floor - Lauren: Ext 1597

Resident Council

Monday, May 18 at 10:00 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.

National Skilled Nursing Care Week May 11-15

"Moments in Bloom" is an initiative that celebrates compassion, teamwork, and the meaningful connections that flourish daily. It encourages a commitment to nurturing, growth, and joy for both our residents and staff.

Mandatory Reporting

If you suspect, witness, or are personally involved in an incident of abuse or neglect, it is imperative to report it immediately to the following individuals:

- Kate Marrero, Administrator:
Phone: 630-209-5989
- Sr. Anthony, Assistant Administrator:
Phone: 630-305-7635
- Rachel Lunon, Director of Nursing:
Phone: 331-253-6510

Important Phone Numbers

Nursing Directors/Managers

Cheriz Ext. 1555 Sr. Theresa Ext. 1586
Kim Ext. 1633 Lori Ext. 1508

Nurse's Stations

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

Restorative Therapy Director

Barb Ext. 1598

Clinical Services & Advanced Care

Andrea M. Ext. 1548

Life Enrichment Director - Jill Ext. 1528

Virginia & Ashley Ext. 1595
Tanfie & Kyla Ext. 1589

Social Services

Ebony C. Ext. 1577 2nd Floor Residents
Mayra C. Ext. 1596 3rd Floor Residents
Lauren S. Ext. 1548 1st Floor Short-term

Pastoral Care Director - Sr. Raphael Ext. 1512

Personal Funds/Bank - Brenda Ext. 1506

Dietary Director - Dave. Ext. 1585

Gretta Ext. 1521 Diet Office Ext. 1524

Maintenance Director - Bob Ext. 1503

Housekeeping Director - Dorota Ext. 1584

Housekeeping Evening Ext. 1639

Salon Appointments

Front Desk "0" for Operator

Ombudsman - DuPage County

Karina Vazquez - 630-407-6483