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COMMUNITY NEWS

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RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT

Carol was raised in Louisiana and Southeast Texas, graduated from Beaumont High School, and received her BS in Sociology from Baylor University. During the Baylor days, Carol met her future husband, John Otterstad. As a young married woman, she worked in several social worker roles (including a prison guard) while following John's career from Texas to Washington State, New Mexico, and finally back to Texas. Along the way, they had two boys, Kevin, and Peter. When they returned to Texas, John's job required constant travel

that took them all over the state. Carol enjoyed traveling about Texas and soaking in much of the natural beauty and culture, especially in northeast Texas (Tyler and Dallas areas). Later in life, Carol attended seminary, trained as a Chaplain, and worked as a Chaplain at Breckenridge Hospital in Austin for a few years. Finally settling back in the Dallas area, Carol delighted in contributing to her local church where she was active on several committees. Carol loves organizing events, cats, and doing cross stitch. Her favorite themes for cross stitch are Cats and Angels. Carol became a resident of Buckner Parkway Place in April 2023. Samples of her cross stitch are on display outside her room.

CINCO DE MAYO

Cinco de Mayo is a holiday that celebrates Mexico's victory over the French at the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862. It's not really a popular holiday in Mexico, but in the United States it has become an important way to commemorate Mexican culture and heritage especially in Mexican-American populations.



The origin of Mother's Day as we know it took place in the early 1900s. A woman named Anna Jarvis started a campaign for an official holiday honoring mothers in 1905, the year her mother died. The first larger-scale celebration of the holiday was in 1908, when Jarvis held a public memorial for her mother in her hometown of Grafton, West Virginia. Over the next few years, Jarvis pushed to have the holiday officially recognized, and it was celebrated increasingly in more and more states around the U.S.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



MAY 2 | NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

National Day of Prayer is a significant celebration in the United States, marked on the first Thursday of May each year.

MAY 4 | KENTUKY DERBY

Kentucky Derby holds a title that it truly deserves. The 1.5-mile race isn't limited to the horse racing crowd, this race is an emblem of tradition. The Kentucky Derby ignites the spirit of competition across the United States and beyond.



MAY 5 | CINCO DE MAYO BRUNCH

Join us for a Cinco De Mayo themed Brunch featuring Mexican food, margaritas, and great fellowship!



MAY 6 | NATIONAL NURSES DAY

National Nurses Day Spotlights nurses' vital role in our healthcare system. It kicks off National Nurses Week, which runs until May 12.



MAY 12 | MOTHER'S DAY

Mother's Day is the perfect opportunity each year to remind Mom how much she is loved, appreciated, and noticed.



MAY 18 | ARMED FORCES DAY

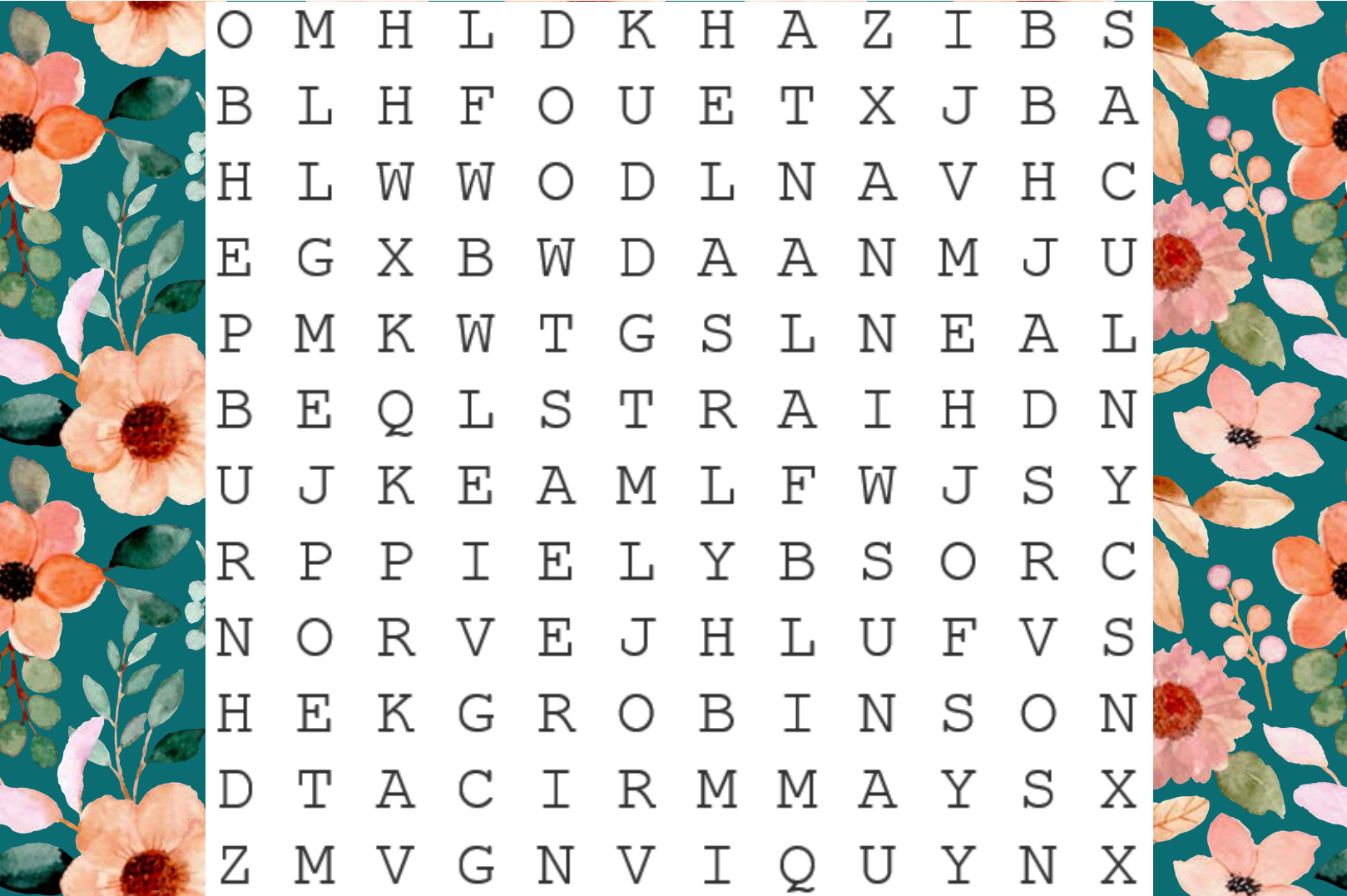
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MAY 27 | MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day is a federal holiday in the United States for honoring and mourning the U.S. military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces.





The following people were born in May. Can you find their last names?

Search horizontally, vertically, diagonally, forward, and backward.

Bonus: Match the person to the correct clue.

- A. Fred ASTAIRE
- B. Bing CROSBY
- C. Salvador DALI
- D. Clint EASTWOOD
- E. Audrey HEPBURN
- F. Bob HOPE
- G. John F. KENNEDY
- H. George LUCAS
- I. Ferdinand MAGELLAN
- J. Willie MAYS
- K. Joe NAMATH
- L. Sugar Ray ROBINSON



- 1. Boxer _____
- 2. Comedian _____
- 3. U.S. president _____
- 4. Movie actress _____
- 5. Singer _____
- 6. Dancer/actor _____
- 7. Movie actor _____
- 8. Painter _____
- 9. Director _____
- 10. Explorer _____
- 11. Baseball player _____
- 12. Football player _____



Nurses Week May 6-12 "Honoring Our Frontline Heroes": Every year from May 6th to 12th, nurses are recognized for their service and dedication to caring for others and improving patients' health nationwide through National Nurses Week. Healthcare organizations celebrate their teams throughout the week, and you'll even see nurses featured on the news. People across the nation thank the nurses who have made a difference in their lives. Let's show our appreciation to our nurses at Parkway Place.

RESIDENT BIRTHDAY CORNER!

- 5/1 Beverley Higginbotham
- 5/1 Soo Jung
- 5/7 Linda Busch
- 5/8 Frank Felcman
- 5/9 Leonard Gilbert



- 5/21 Nasser Mustapha
- 5/24 Oveta Lucy
- 5/25 George Bole
- 5/28 Robert Hudson

ASSOCIATE OF THE MONTH

Parkway Place is honoring Fredericka Foster, Courtesy Patrol, as April's Associate of the Month! Fredericka has been a part of the team since September of 2022. She is dedicated, hardworking, and respected by all team members. Fredericka helps foster a positive work environment and is always ready to help. She promotes our 5-star customer service and inspires happiness with residents, family members, and associates. Congratulations, Fredericka Foster, April's associate of the month!



National Day Of Prayer Service at Parkway Place



National Day of Prayer Service with Chaplain John Bender will be held in the Assisted Living Dining Room for the Heights, Haven and Harbor at 10:00 AM on May 2nd. The National Day of Prayer is an annual day of observance designated by the United States Congress and held on the first Thursday of May, when people are asked "to turn to God in prayer and meditation". The president is required by law to sign a proclamation each year, encouraging all Americans to pray on this day.



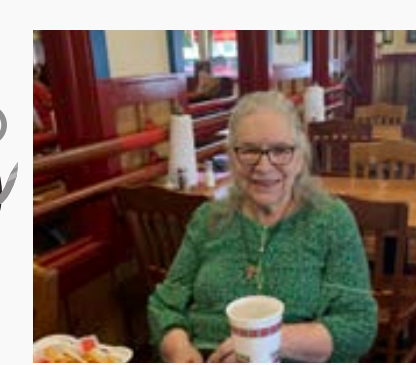
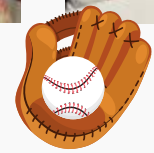
Ice cream is like a best friend, always there when you need it!

National Receptionist Day

On May 8th, please stop by to show your appreciation to our Parkway Place Receptionist staff. National Receptionists Day is on the second Wednesday in May. Let's celebrate by honoring the important role that receptionists play in our lives! This day was first established in 1991, to recognize and thank them for their hard work and dedication. They are individuals who greet us with a smile each day. From providing customer service, managing phone lines, and keeping track of appointments, receptionists do it all! So let's take this opportunity to show our appreciation for these unsung heroes and how they help make our days just a little bit brighter.



Let's go Astros!



Harbor lunch Outing at Spring Creek Barbecue

A Mother's Day Prayer From John Bender



Lord, we say, with the Psalmist, "It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name, O Most High. To proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night." Lord, what a priceless gift is a child, an original work of your creative hand. You told Jeremiah that while he was in the womb you knew him and had plans for his life. And so come will we pray for those you know now, those little ones that are on the way... prepare their parents for the safe arrival of this precious creation of yours. Father, we pray for our children. May they grow mentally, physically, socially, and spiritually, just as your son grew here on earth. God of all strength, we pray for our teenagers. There is so much evil around them... will you command your angels to guard them in all their ways? God of all wisdom, we pray for our adult children. There are so many decisions to make...lifestyles, careers, spouses, children, church, home, and many others as they age. Grant them all the wisdom in these decisions. And Father, we will not forget our grandchildren. May our influence be such that they will always remember that when they visit a grandmother, she will never forget that it was a Sunday and a day of worship. And Lord, when our hair is white, our eyes are dim, and our limbs are weak, may we graciously accept the help of our children. Father, if I could sing, I would sing this song to you, but I can only voice the words and let you supply the music, 'Oh may all those who come behind us find us faithful. May the fire of our devotion light their way. May the footprints we leave lead them to believe and the lives we live inspire them to obey. Oh, may all who come behind us find us faithful.' And, so Lord, may the legacy that we leave to generations yet unborn be our obedience and faithfulness to thee and your son's name we pray. Amen.



Residents enjoying Parkway's Annual Crawfish Boil!



Residents watching the solar eclipse!

