

Resident's enjoying Bagels on National Bagel Day

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **AUGUST 6 | NATIONAL ROOT BEER FLOAT DAY**



Healthcare is celebrating this day with a delicious Root Beer Float served with vanilla ice cream floating in dark root beer. A root beer float is called a black cow because of the visual inspiration for the drink's creation. Frank J. Weisner the owner of Cripple Creek Brewing in Colorado, noticed that the snow-capped Cow Mountain looked like vanilla ice cream floating in dark root beer.



### **AUGUST 11-15 | ELVIS WEEK**

Elvis Weel will be celebrated with lots of festivities. We will have an Elvis Impersonator, games, Elvis Ice Cream Social, and music to honor the King of Rock-n-Roll.



### **AUGUST 15 HARBOR DINNER W/LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

The Harbor (Memory Support) will host a Resident and Family Dinner w/Live Entertainment and Raffles. A fun evening with your loved ones.



#### **AUGUST 12 | INDOOR CARNIVAL EVENT**

Join Healthcare for an indoor carnival of fun with Host Roly The Crown the Clown/Ring Master. There will be treats for everyone.



### AUGUST 21 | NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

Healthcare will be celebrating National Senior Citizens Day with music, games and delicious food, and frozen Margaritas during Happy Hour. Come join us for this fun and exciting event.



Healthcare will celebrate August birthdays. Join us as we celebrate this wonderful event with refreshments and music.



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# COMMUNITYNEWS

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# RESIDENT SPOTLIGHT

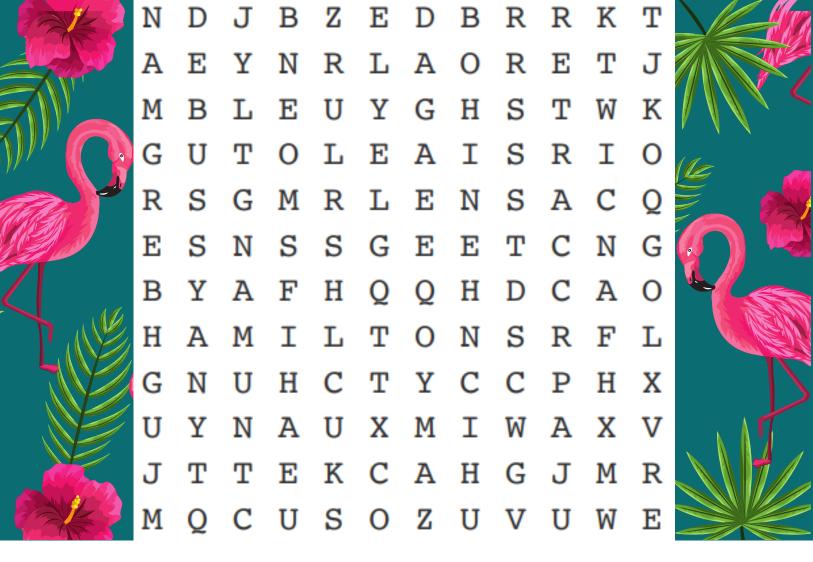
**AUGUST 2025** 



Virginia "Ginny" Haase Kerr was born in Gillett, Texas in 1942, and grew up on a small farm five miles outside of Gillett. She holds tightest to her memories of her four siblings and loving parents, as well as the joy and love she experienced growing up on the farm, which she still visits home for holidays with the family. She graduated from Karnes City High School and went on to get her Bachelor's of Education from the University of Texas at Austin. Soon she moved to San Antonio

for a teaching position and, while there, met the charming and charismatic love of her life, Bob Kerr, who was a recently minted Captain in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Sam Houston. They were engaged after only six months and married soon thereafter. Ginny was an elementary school teacher for several years, including while Bob did a tour of duty in Vietnam. Bob and Ginny ultimately settled in Houston, Texas, where Bob was a healthcare administrator. Ginny dedicated her life to raising her two children, Kelly and Scott, with unwavering and unconditional love. She also spent time volunteering with Houston charitable causes including her parish St. Francis de Sales, her children's high schools, St. Agness Academy and Strake Jesuit, and the Catholic Women's Charity Guild, she chaired auctions, bazaars, raised millions, developed capital improvement plans, built buildings, created unity and supported the less fortunate in support of these causes.

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The following people were born in August. Can you find their last names? Search horizontally, vertically, diagonally, forward, and backward.



Ingrid BERGMAN
Kobe BRYANT
Rosalynn CARTER
Connie CHUNG
Claude DEBUSSY
Jerry GARCIA



Elliott GOULD
Buddy HACKETT
Scott HAMILTON
Ogden NASH
Kenny ROGERS
Mary SHELLEY





## **August is National Wellness Month!**

The Month emphasizes the importance of incorporating healthy habits into daily Life, such as regular exercises, mindful eating, and sufficient sleep.

# **RESIDENT BIRTHDAY CORNER!**

8/3 Jean Hardy 8/10 Glenda Meyers 8/12 Gloria Decardenas 8/12 Annette Rush 8/15 Jay Bishop

8/15 Mary Ehret

8/19 Judy Schultz



8/20 Jovieta Laird 8/21 Virgina Smith 8/21 Jo Ann Scace 8/27 Eleanor Hurley 8/29 Janet Killian 8/30 Melba Mitchell 8/30 Carole Willis

### **ASSOCIATE OF THE MONTH - ALCIR DA SA**

Parkway Place honors ALCIR DA SA as July's Associate of the Month. For the residents at PWP, a journey with Alcir is more than a trip, it is an opportunity for genuine connection. Alcir has served with PWP since 2023, and he exemplifies our commitment to excellence. His compassion, professionalism and genuine dedication remind us that PWP is more than just a place to work - it is his calling. Congratulations, Alcir! thank you for making a difference each day, and for inspiring happiness with the example you set.





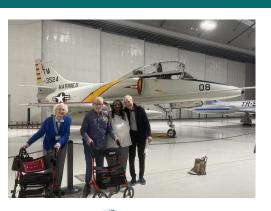








On August 19, 1988, President Ronald Reagan signed <u>Proclamation 5847</u> declaring August 21st as National Senior Citizens Day. National Senior Citizens Day recognizes the achievements of the more mature representatives of our nation. The day provides an opportunity to show our appreciation for their dedication, accomplishments, and services they give throughout their lives. Spend time with the senior citizens you know. Take time to listen to their life story. You just might end up gaining a lot of wisdom of things you never heard of. Their wealth of knowledge, skill, and experience offer so much to the next generation. Let them know they are appreciated and loved. Share your smile with those who you know or may not know. This National Day will give everyone the opportunity to show their appreciation for their dedication, accomplishments, and services they give throughout their lives. Join Parkway Place on this day as we celebrate National Senior Citizens Day Golden Minds Event with fun festivities, and some great entertainment.







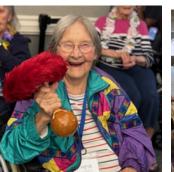


















### Cultural Activities- A Tradition of Fun

Cultural activities plays an important role in an individuals life. Traditional cultural activities may include traditional dances, singing traditional songs and chants, creating traditional crafts, reading traditional short stories and other activities depending on different cultural heritages. Cultural activities also provide opportunities to learn about different cultures, traditions, and perspectives. Exposure to different cultures can lead to new and exciting learning experience. At Parkway Place we celebrate and welcome many cultural activities in the workplace. The residents are always excited to engage and learn many different traditions of other cultures. There smiles and facial expressions says it all. In essence, learning about different cultures is not just about acquiring knowledge, it promotes positive interaction and deeper understanding of different cultures.





