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American House Grand Blanc

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Veteran's Lunch

For our Veteran's meeting this quarter, we had a lunch in the activity room. The Veterans invited their wives to join them and Doug from Patriot Ambulance joined us; he is also a Veteran and joins us for all of our meetings. We had fried chicken, relish trays, cold salads, pork & beans and ice cream cake. It was a nice time for everybody and nice to see the wives come enjoy the meal.

May 2017

Veteran's Lunch With Their Wives





Mother's Event!



Attention Mothers!

We will be having a Mother's Day Coffee Bar with sweets on Friday, May 12th, from 2:30 to 3:30 in the dining room. Everyone is welcome to join in. Please invite your families to come and enjoy the hour with you. We will be taking pictures of our resident mothers with their families, so plan to attend and make some new memories.



Easter Egg Coloring

The residents enjoyed coloring eggs; they said it has been years since they have done this. They took home the ones they colored to enjoy. Great job!



May Birthdays

5/1	Sam G.
5/6	Kathleen B.
5/6	Eleanor T.
5/7	Agnes S.
5/12	Melvin B.
5/28	Esther M.
5/28	Gordon B.



A203	Claudia D.
B209	Jean D.
B210	Blonda H.



Military Appreciation Month

May is Military Appreciation Month.
Please join us in the dining room on
Wednesday, May 17th, at 2:30 to honor
our American House Veterans and enjoy
patriotic music by Dan Hays.



Poker Game

Are you interested in playing poker? Come join the fun on Friday, May 5th, at 2:30 in the activity room. We will set up one afternoon per month for you poker players. You are more than welcome to get together as often as you like; just set it up with other players. Please check the activity board to make sure the activity room is not being used.



Crosswalk Band

Thursday evening, May 25th, we will be having entertainment by "Crosswalk Band" at 7:30 in the dining room. The band will play for an hour and a half. This is new entertainment for us, so please give Barb your opinion afterward so we know if they should return.

Make sure to put on your dancing shoes and let's have a fun evening!



Gardening Club

We have a request to put in a garden this summer, so we will put in two small 4 x 4 foot spaces, large enough to grow some tomatoes and a few other fresh vegetables. We also have the two raised flower beds that we fill with beautiful flowers. Please plan to join in on the trip to Walker farms on Thursday, May 25th, at 2:30; we will be getting our vegetable plants and flowers. The garden and flower beds are yours to do as your please. When the fresh vegetables are ready, they will be for the residents to enjoy, so please feel free to work out in the beds whenever you would like.



Bible Study

The first Sunday of each month at 10:30, we will be having Bible Study in the chapel. Please bring your Bible; this is open to all denominations and will be led by our resident Dale.



Hearing Place

We have a new service for our residents. The employees from "Hearing Place" will be coming in quarterly to check your hearing aids. This is a free service, so please plan to stop by the lobby on Wednesday, May 24th, from 2:30 to 3:30.



What's New!

Ride in the Countryside

We will be starting our rides in the countryside again in May on Thursday the 18th at 2:30. This is iust a ride on the bus: we do not get off the bus or stop anywhere. It is a chance to get out of the building, enjoy the weather and see the changes around us. The flowers should be in full bloom and summer well on its way. Please sign up in the lobby book and come enjoy the ride.



Tigers Open Day Game

The lobby was full for the first Tigers home game. We had a party with grilled hot dogs, snacks and drinks.







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Grand Blanc						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mother's Day	9:30 Shopping trip to Meijer / Dollar Tree- B 1:00 Private transportation - B 2:00 Stretch and relaxation with Kimberly - AR 4:30 Nails polished by Barb - Salon 7:00 Bingo!- Ar	9:30 Cafe chat with Barb- Bistro 10:00 Strength training- AR 10:45 Mall walking - B 2:30 New resident meet & greet - LO 3:30 Wii bowling- Bistro 7:00 Bingo- AR	9:30 Blood pressure checks - LO 10:00 Strength training with Julie- AR 10:30 Wii bowling- Bistro 2:30 Euchre - AR 3:00 - 4pm Chair massages with Rae - Chapel 7:00 Residents choice games- AR	10:00 Strength training- AR 10:45 Holy Family Catholic Church Service - CH	Cinco de Mayo 8:00 Made to order omelets - DR 9:00 Beauty Shop Opens 10:00 Avon lady visits - Bistro 10:00 Walking in the building 11:30 - 1pm Buffet lunch, everybody eats at the same time - DR 2:30 Poker Game- AR 7:00 Residents choice games - Bistro	10:00 Strength training- AR 10:30 LCR game - AR 7:00 Residents choice games - AR
9:30 Communion- CH 10:30 Bible Study, all denominations welcome. Bring your bible - CH 2:30 Matinee movie and snacks - Bistro	9:30 Shopping trip to Walmart - B 1:00 Private transportation - B 2:00 Stretch and relaxation with Kimberly - AR 4:30 Nails polished by Barb- Salon 7:00 Bingo!- Ar	10:00 Strength training- AR 10:45 Mall walking - B	9:30 Blood pressure checks - LO 10:00 Strength training with Julie- AR 10:30 Wii bowling- Bistro 2:30 Euchre - AR 7:00 Residents choice games-AR	11 10:00 Strength training- AR 11:00 Lunch out at the Villager in Holly - B 2:30 Entertainment by Mo and happy hour - DR 3:45 Pray the Rosary - CH 7:00 Bingo - AR	8:00 Made to order omelets - DR 9:00 Beauty Shop Opens 10:00 Mall walking - B 10:00 Paparazzi jewelry in the bistro 10:30 1st Baptist Church of Goodrich service - CH 2:30 -3:30 Mothers' Day Coffee Bar and Sweets - DR 7:00 Residents choice games - Bistro	13 10:00 Strength training- AR 2:30 Bingo with Dale - AR 7:00 Residents choice games - AR
Happy Mother's Day 14 9:30 Communion- CH 2:30 Matinee movie and snacks - Bistro	9:30 Shopping trip to Meijer / Dollar Tree- B 1:00 Private transportation - B 2:00 Stretch and relaxation with Kimberly - AR 4:30 Nails polished by Barb- Salon 7:00 Bingo!- Ar	9:30 Cafe chat with Barb- Bistro 10:00 Strength training- AR 10:45 Mall walking - B 2:30 Crafts with Barb - AR 3:30 Wii bowling- Bistro 7:00 Bingo- AR	9:30 Blood pressure checks - LO 10:00 Strength training with Julie- AR 10:30 Wii bowling- Bistro 2:30 Military appreciation day with entertainment by Dan Hays -DR 3:00 - 4pm Chair massages with Rae - Chapel 7:00 Residents choice games- AR	18 10:00 Strength training- AR 10:30 Adult color pages - AR 2:30 Ride in the countryside - B 3:45 Pray the Rosary - CH 7:00 Bingo - AR	8:00 Made to order omelets - DR 9:00 Beauty Shop Opens 10:00 Avon lady visits - Bistro 10:00 Mall walking - B 2:30 Bingo Bash - Dr 7:00 Residents choice games - Bistro	Armed Forces Day 20 10:00 Strength training- AR 2:30 Horse race game - Lo 7:00 Residents choice games - AR
9:30 Communion- CH 2:30 Matinee movie and snacks - Bistro	9:30 Shopping trip to Walmart-B 1:00 Private transportation - B 2:00 Stretch and relaxation with Kimberly - AR 2:00 Culinary chat with Kathie- LO 4:30 Nails polished by Barb- Salon 7:00 Bingo!- Ar	9:30 Cafe chat with Barb- Bistro 10:00 Strength training- AR 10:45 Mall walking - B 2:30 Entertainment by Gail Engling and birthday bash - AR 3:30 Wii bowling- Bistro 7:00 Bingo- AR	9:00 Dr. Noroyan, foot doctor visits. Sign up in lobby book 9:30 Blood pressure checks - LO 10:00 Strength training with Julie- AR 10:30 Wii bowling- Bistro 2:30 Hearing aids checked by "Hearing Place" - LO 2:30 Euchre - AR 7:00 Residents choice games- AR	2:30 Trip to Walker farms for vegetables and flowers - B	8:00 Made to order omelets - DR 9:00 Beauty Shop Opens 10:00 Mall walking - B 10:00 Paparazzi Jewelry in the bistro 2:30 Bingo - AR 7:00 Residents choice games - Bistro	10:00 Strength training- AR 2:30 LCR game - AR 7:00 Residents choice games - AR
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Talk About It

St. Patty's Party

What a fun afternoon it was for our St. Patty's party! We had Elvis for entertainment, the residents just love him and boy did they have their dancing shoes on!!











Brendle School Visits

Two first grade classes from the Brendle school came to visit; they sang songs and read stories to the residents. Our residents made bunny gift bags as a surprise for them. What a fun time!











Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

- 1/4 and 3/4
- Capt.'s superior
- 7. Nuisance 11. Zooms aloft
- 13. Garlic's giveaway

- 15. Nabisco product 16. Nelsons
- 19. People 20. Candy bar
- 21. Approves, for short 23. So: Scot.
- 24. Health club's offering
- 27. Coat fabric
- 30. Uncontrolled anger
- 34. Skunk's defense 36. Parliament members
- 38. Word on a U. S. coin
- 39. Dog-walker's control
- 40. Appropriate 41. Bring joy to
- 43. Business abbr. 44. Get overly dramatic

- 46. Actor John
- 47. Legal document
- 49. Change for the better 51. Cube root of 1000
- 52. Sea bird
- 54. Sandwich variety 56. Olympians
- 61. Dentist's concerns
- 66. Popular 1960s series

- 68. Soreness

1. Flow out slowly

WWII German

party member

Puts in

Actress Moran Labor Day, in the U.S.

Luke-Acts connector

Hog Indian tribe member

Mystical advisor 10. Preschoolers 11. Bawl

12. Dieter's lunch 14. Boosted

18. Magnavox rival 22. Rarely 24. Setting

28. Traveler's line

32. Entered a car 33. Peaceful spot

29. Lettuce and kale 31. Hard stone

25. United Nations goal 26. Reply: abbr.

17. Questions

- 69. Before long 70. Archaeologist's milieu
- 71. Freshwater fish 72. Natalie Cole's inspiration
- 73. Insect's nemesis, once

 - 48. Dug
- 45. Praying bug
 - 50. Empty-headed

34. Slipped

35. Definite article 37. Word with going

or worthy 42. WWII nav. vessel

- 53. Sandpiper 55. __ War (1899-1902) 56. "Ach!"
- 57. Word with Texas
- or Georgia 58. Response to a joke
- 59. Note written from the
- bottom up
- 60. Greek portico
- 63. Zealous
- 64. Landlord's collection 65. Ken Griffey and
- Ed Begley: abbr.



Crafts

The residents had a fun time making a bunny face out of a straw hat, we had a packed activity room. We are now signing up for the craft classes due to the amount of residents attending, just to make sure there is enough supplies for everybody. It is wonderful that we have such a large group; our building always looks nice and bright with all the doors decorated.







Asparagus Facts

By Brian Rosso, R.D.

Asparagus is a popular menu item at American House. I hope you enjoy the following facts about this nutritious vegetable!

- Asparagus was believed to have originated in Greece 2,500 years ago.
- Asparagus comes in three colors: white (grown underground to avoid sunlight, and very popular in Northwest Europe), green and purple.
- Asparagus is part of the lily family.
- After planting, it takes three years to harvest asparagus for the first time.
- From a health aspect, asparagus acts as a diuretic and a laxative.
- Michigan is ranked third in producing asparagus nationally.
 Our state produces 25 million pounds of asparagus annually (a market value of \$15 million) on 11,000 acres.
- Prime growing season is early May to late June.
- Asparagus is 93 percent water.
- Five ounces of asparagus provide three grams of fiber and only 20 calories, and it is fat-free. Asparagus is a great source of folic acid, potassium, protein, and vitamins A and C.

Visit an American House today and enjoy some asparagus.



Just a Reminder...

PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN FRONT CIRCLE DRIVE

Just a friendly reminder that the front entrance is for quick pickups and drop-offs only. EMS must have access as much as possible for the safety of residents. Cars parked at the front entrance for extended periods risk being towed.







The lobby was full for our new resident meet and greet. We have a great group of people living here!





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