

# April Newsletter

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### Hilltop Commons Phone Numbers

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**Kitchen: (530) 272-2854**  
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Activities: (530) 272-5274  
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### Laundry Room Hours:

Daily: 7:00am-9:00pm  
Please remove all items from washers and dryers by 9:00pm

### Van Schedule

Van leaves at 10:00 am  
Tuesday: Brunswick area  
Wednesday: Medical appointments  
Thursday: Pine Creek area

### Beauty Salon Hours:

Wednesday/Thursday/Friday  
By appointment only  
Please call (530) 271-5958

### Important Phone Numbers

Gold Country Lift: 271- 7433 (271-RIDE)  
Post Office: 273-3429  
The Union: 273-9565  
Comcast Cable: 1-800-266-2278  
AT&T: 1-800-750-2355  
Sacramento Bee: 1-800-284-3233  
**Grass Valley Police**  
**477-4600 (non-emergency)**

### April Birthdays

Gerri Holzen.....April 1  
Donna Mack.....April 2  
Mary Drake.....April 5  
Barbara Licari.....April 12  
Jean Thompson.....April 13  
Jackie McGuigan.....April 15  
Neva Bright.....April 16  
Carol Debardeleben.....April 16  
Bettie Ferry.....April 26  
Pauline Johnson.....April 29

### April Anniversaries

Jayne Brown.....1 year  
Joan Broxholme.....1 year  
Joe King.....1 year  
Jan Fox.....1 year  
Rena Scharf.....1 year  
Wayne & Jessie Lance....3 years  
Juanita Croker.....3 years  
Betty Geach.....3 years  
Darlys Jacoby.....3 years

### Welcome New Residents

Irene Lucas  
Barbara Comfort



### Celebrating April

Tuesday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Speaker

Justin Smith, Historian

Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup>

Happy Hour & Music

Jack Scott Big Band

Thursday April 19<sup>th</sup>

Excursion

Pescatore Winery

Tuesday April 24<sup>th</sup>

Presentation

Hawks, Honkers, and Hoots

Thursday April 26<sup>th</sup>

Resident Appreciation Dinner

Every Sunday

Hot Beverage Social

### From the Desk of Terri Howell Community Administrator

### Spring has sprung at Hilltop Commons!

It's hard to believe that we've come through another winter together and now we're looking forward to warmer months, longer days, and lots of fun activities.

Sabrina has scheduled a terrific outing to Ananda Village in Nevada City on April 15<sup>th</sup>. Crystal Hermitage Gardens, with the tulips in bloom and the serenity of the village, promises to be a trip to remember.

Attention all wine lovers...Pescatore Vineyard & Winery in Newcastle is our next destination on April 21<sup>st</sup>. Not only will you be able to tour the winery, you will also enjoy a delicious lunch provided by the Wegner family.

Mark your calendars! It's time again for Hilltop's Annual Resident Appreciation Dinner. This year the festivities will be on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Last year's event was amazing with the most delicious dinner and dessert, provided by Jammie and her staff. We are certain this year will be one for the record books, so look for your invitation, coming soon.

*if you watch how nature deals with  
adversity, continually renewing itself,  
you can't help but learn.*

— Bernie Siegel MD





**Marketing Minutes  
By Sue Hudson  
Marketing Director**

Welcome Spring and welcome to our new residents! Hilltop continues to be very blessed with the **BEST RESIDENTS in the WHOLE WORLD!** When you see a new face please be sure to introduce yourself and offer friendly assistance if needed, it always feels good to help a fellow resident.

It's still a full house here at Hilltop Commons and we have a lot of fun things going on this month to celebrate! Be sure to check your Activities Calendar because you wouldn't want to miss out on all the happenings, *especially* the Resident Appreciation Dinner Thursday April 26<sup>th</sup>!

Have you ever wanted to be on the radio or on the world wide web? Testimonials are an excellent way to market our community and I am looking for happy residents who would be willing to share their Hilltop story. Whether you're interested in doing an ad for radio or video, I will make it easy & fun, just let me know if you are up for the challenge and we can make it happen! If you ever have a marketing idea for Hilltop, please let me know because 92 heads are better than one :-)

Enjoy the new season!  
Sue



**Letter from the Editor  
Traci Gelgood  
Associate Marketing Director**

**Happy Springtime! Enjoy the showers and the flowers, the sunshine and the birds! It's my favorite month of the year – and it's also my Birthday month!!**

**Enjoy and celebrate life!!**

**Hugs to each of you –  
Stay happy, healthy and safe!**



**Activity Corner  
By Sabrina Busher  
Activity Director**

**SPRING IS NATURE'S WAY OF SAYING  
"LET'S PARTY"**

Spring is here and the flowers are in bloom, the birds are singing and rejoicing. This time of year is a great time to get outside and enjoy the beauty nature brings us.

Please look at your event calendars so you do not miss out on what is going on at Hilltop for the month. Also, for those of you who are new residents, the sign-up sheets for the outings are on the bar as you go into the dining room.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> we are having a great speaker, Justin Smith. He is speaking on the "REVOLUTION" - who, what, where, and why. He is an interesting man with a great story.

There are great outings planned this month. On the 13<sup>th</sup>, we are heading back to see the gorgeous tulips at Ananda. It is truly an awakening experience. Also, on the 19<sup>th</sup>, we are going on the bus to Pescatore Winery for lunch and wine tasting. On the 24<sup>th</sup>, Hawks, Honkers & Hoots will be here showing us their fabulous birds. On the 26<sup>th</sup>, we will be having the resident appreciation dinner for all of you. It is just a way for the staff to let you know that we appreciate each and every one of you.

Enjoy this month and remember -

**BE THE REASON SOMEONE SMILES  
TODAY**



**Culinary Corner**



April showers bring May flowers. This month we will be having Easter Brunch on Sunday, the 1<sup>st</sup>, so please feel free to invite your family and friends. We will be serving baked ham, yams, scalloped potatoes, baked beans and sautéed green beans with bacon, and also strawberry waffles with sausage. For dessert, we will serve lemon meringue pie. This is a special event, so all guests will be \$12.00 each. Easter is a half day for the kitchen staff, so we will be leaving for the day at 2:00. **We will be handing out box dinners at brunch from 10:30am – 12:30pm.** If you are unable to pick up your box dinner between these times, the office or night watch staff will be happy to get one for you.

There is a lot going on in April, so instead of our Big Breakfast, we are having a Breakfast Buffet on Saturday, the 14<sup>th</sup>. It will be a little different than the Big Breakfast. We are going to make it just a little smaller with all of the same great food. This is also a special event and guests will be \$12.00 per person.

**Please be sure to make reservations in advance with the kitchen when you plan to have guests for a meal.**

Resident Appreciation Dinner is here again on the 26<sup>th</sup>. We are all so excited to honor all of our residents with this and show our appreciation to you! You are all so wonderful and I love that we get to do this to show you how much you all mean to every one of us. On this day, we will have a box lunch for you to pick up between 10:30am – 12:30pm. This will give us time to get everything ready for the special event. The Appreciation Dinner is between 4:00pm and 5:00pm. Details will be coming soon. This is for Residents only, no guests are invited for this event.

Please leave the silverware, cups, and dishes in the dining room. If you happen to have any in your apartment, please return them. We are running short and would like to set all of the tables with our new silverware. Thank you.

Thank you all for being you. See you soon!

Sincerely,  
Jammie Barquilla (Chef)

**Kitchen # 272-2854**

**Hilltop Commons Resident Testimonial:  
Donna Mack**



What is your favorite thing about Hilltop Commons?

*I love the camaraderie of all the residents here at Hilltop. The residents come up to you and introduce themselves and are so friendly.*

What is your favorite activity at Hilltop Commons?

*There are some many options to choose from, such as happy hour and music, educational speakers, wildlife programs, crafts and games, etc.*

What advice would you offer someone looking to move here?

*Take advantage of Hilltop. I looked all around the area, from apartments to condos, and senior communities. Hilltop is by far the best. You will not find a better place to call your home.*

What was the #1 reason you chose Hilltop?

*Everything is provided for you, from your food, to your transportation and entertainment. I could not be happier.*

