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Our mission is to create and sustain comfortable, caring environments for those who depend on us.



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Gardening Benefits for Health & The Environment Unearthed

Spring is here and it's a joyous time for those with green thumbs who have been waiting for the gardening season to begin. As it happens, there is a lot in the garden that is beneficial for health and the environment.

Dig Into Better Health

Gardening positively impacts wellness in various ways.:

- It relieves stress.
 Gardening can lower cortisol levels that cause stress and increase blood pressure.
 It also increases serotonin, which helps people feel happy.
- Friendly bacteria in the soil can boost immunity. It may particularly help against asthma.
- It provides great exercise. It is lowimpact and can be comfortable work with the right padding or protective gear, but it takes energy, and the elements can make it more challenging.
- It involves hand-eye coordination and sensory intake. Both of these factors can positively affect cognition.
- It presents opportunities for a sense of community. Socializing among friends while gardening can be so much fun.
- It encourages outside activity. For some, gardening is the best reason to head outside and enjoy sunshine and the environment (albeit with proper sun protection).
- It is an ongoing activity that can extend

beyond the garden for learning. Why not make predictions for when plants may sprout up and see who comes closest? Or learn about what to grow when and where, and share those

> techniques, Impact the Planet

Gardening also benefits the environment, and no act is too small toward making our world a better place.

• It can help with pollution. In largescale harvesting of fruits and vegetables,

pollution typically results. The transportation of those goods also causes pollution. It may seem a small step, but gardening at one's home or in the community influences the big picture.

- It can reduce the size of landfills. This is possible when people compost garden waste rather than sending everything to the landfill when it's gone bad.
- Plants in the garden take in CO2 and release oxygen, improving air quality.
- It helps local habitats of insects and animals which play important roles in our environment (like bees pollinating).
- Plants and mulch can hold soil in place and reduce erosion, and keep sediment out of waterways, drains, and roads.

These are just some of the benefits that gardening can bring! This Spring and Summer, give gardening a try and share the benefits with others.





Haikus About Our Favorite Animals

"A peaceful dark night A family of Wolves join To sing to the moon" - Ashley "Joyful Elephant Goofing in water all day Till the dusk of Dawn" - Yaret

"A leery side glance As Trixie prances past me On her morning stroll" - Linda "As a Lion roars He looks at his surroundings To fall back asleep" - Maria



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Special Moments

April celebrates animals and haikus so we paired the two! The haiku is a Japanese verse. Line one has 5 syllables, line 2 has 7 syllables, and line three has 5 syllables.

"Black and White sharp stripes All around his husky body What is the first color?" - Shirley

April Highlights

April is Poetry Month, Stress Awareness Month, Humor Month, and Gardening Month **1 April Fool's Day** 2 Peanut Butter & Jelly Day **3** National Walking Day 3 Resident Council @ 1:30 in DR 7 Chef Chat with Kevin @ 1:30 in DR 9 Put Your Best Foot Forward Presentation By Priority Footwear @ 2:00 in DR 9 Antiques Day, Share your Antique with us @ 4:00 12 Hand Aromatherapy @ 10:45 by **Dana from DoTerra 13 Scrabble Day** 16 Wear Pajamas Day, Join in on the + Fun! 17 Painting 101 with Darla @ 2:30 in **DR, All Supplies Provided** 18 April's Birthday Party @ 2:00 in MC with Live Music by Mal **19 North Dakota Day & Good Friday**

20 Easter Brunch 10:30-1:00 **21 Easter Sunday** 22 Earth Day 23 Picnic Day, Lunch at the park @ 12 23 Culture Club: Asia @ 2:00 in MC, Join us for Crafts & Trivia 25 Tulip Festival Outing @ 2:00pm **26 Pretzel Day** 29 World Dance Day! **30 Oatmeal Cookie Day**

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Why are people exhausted on April 1st? Because they just finished a 31-day March!

April Birthdays!



We wish you a **Very Happy Birthday!**

Doris, 4/3 Ray, 4/5 Joan, 4/6 Irene & Susan, 4/8 Esmee, 4/15 Marjorie, 4/19 Mick, 4/24 Gerri Z., 4/27

Resident Spotlight! Linda

Linda was born In Kelso, Washington. As a child she moved around states because her dad was in the U.S Coast Guard. She has two younger sisters and two daughters, Shelley and Jessica.

Her schooling took place in three different states, Oregon, Washington and New York.

She did secretarial work and was a proofreader for the Portland Oregonian for two years.

Her favorite past times include reading mystery books, playing scrabble, and practicing her golf putting skills.

What makes her the most happy is seeing her dog Smokey because she loves him!

Congratulations, Linda! We are so glad to have you be a part of our Radiant Community!





Staff Spotlight! Demetrest (As Captain America for Superhero Day)

Demetrest was born in Columbus, Ohio, and his favorite hobbies include basketball, music, bowling, and table games.

His enjoys dancing, sunny days, camp fires, watching sports, dining in and out and having a general good time.

He states that if he could do anything in this world, it would be to go to different places to try all the different foods this world has to offer!

What he likes best about working at Emerald Gardens is the environment and the love and respect he receives from the residents and his fellow coworkers!

Congratulations, Demetrest! Thank you for all you do for this Radiant Community!

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