

## Titanic Remembrance Day

Titanic Remembrance Day is dedicated to the memory of the Titanic, and over 1500 people who died. On this day in 1912, the Titanic sank in the icy waters of the north Atlantic Ocean.

The Titanic was called "unsinkable" and the "safest ship afloat" by her builder and designer. However, on her maiden voyage from England to New York City, the cruise ship Titanic hit an iceberg in the Atlantic Ocean. This occurred on April 14, 1912 at 11:40p.m. Two hours later, with a gaping gash in her side, the ship quickly sank in icy waters. 1522 passengers and crew died.

The historic sinking of the Titanic spurred a numerous of television documentaries, specials, and big screen movies. The most recent was the blockbuster movie *Titanic*, starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet.

**Did you know?** The Titanic had a sister ship, the Olympic. The ships were constructed around the same time, with the Olympic starting first. The Olympic was launched in 1910. She served as a cruise liner until pressed into service during WWI as a troop carrier. She was retired in 1935.

Join us in the Library on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm (limited seating) as we travel back in time to hear *The Real Stories From Those Who Built The Titanic | Titanic: Legend Born In Belfast | Timeline*.

The film features Belfast residents who saw the ship launched in May 1911 and who were also there when she set sail on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1912 less than two weeks before she perished on her maiden voyage to America. The definitive story of the building of this magnificent ship.

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## The Almighty Dollar



The U.S. dollar is one of the strongest and most traded currencies on the planet, and its symbol \$ is instantly recognizable. It was invented by accident by Oliver Pollack on April 1, 1778. Pollack was an Irish merchant living in New Orleans when the Revolutionary War began. War was expensive. As a British colony in revolt, America could not use British currency, so the Spanish peso became the preferred method of payment. Luckily for Pollack, he had built his fortune in Spanish pesos through illegal trading in the Spanish Caribbean. Pollock lent the Americans 300,000 Spanish pesos, equivalent to one billion of today's dollars, and kept detailed records of his transactions. In a ledger dated April 1, 1778, Pollack scribbled "ps," short for Spanish peso, in a way that looked like the dollar sign \$. In 1797, founding father Robert Morris adopted the strange symbol for America's new currency.

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## Christine's Comments

What a difference a month makes. We've had so many great things happen lately and as I said last month, I see the pandemic in the rearview mirror more clearly now.

We are all so excited about the reopening of our dining room for lunch late last month. As I stated in my letter dated March 18<sup>th</sup>, our purpose to initially re-open for lunch only is to fine tune our service and sanitation procedures to ensure quality and safety for the staff and residents. This is a temporary format to our dining program as we work out any issues. Once we move into the Orange Tier (50% capacity), we will be able to allow most of the residents to eat in the dining room daily.

And how about the new pendant program? This service is free to every resident. Please refer to my letter dated March 25<sup>th</sup> and the article on the back page of this newsletter. If any of you have any questions on this, please let us know. I do ask for your Resident Profile page to be returned as soon as possible.

We will also be announcing a new program called, Call Blast. If we have an announcement to make about the dining room, an activity, an emergency, etc., we can go to the website that supports this program, enter a message and it will call your phone number and leave that announcement. You will be able to receive this information as soon as possible rather than wait for a letter delivered to your door.

I want to thank Brian Thomas and the entire Sodexo team for showing up each day to serve you and my team. We look forward to seeing everyone with smiles on their faces (after you remove your mask) in the dining room. Let's get back to business! Let's get back to enjoying our lives again! Let's get back to the community we once were with great activities, happy hours, entertainment and events! I'm ready!



## Tonya's Activity Corner

There's been a change in seasons and now it is springtime weather outside. It is time for some outside activities and enjoying one another's company. We are looking forward to resuming some of our activities in these upcoming months.

You will notice an old-time favorite Bean Bag Baseball, Cracker Barrel and even a new game called Cornhole. Please pay close attention to your calendars and flyers posted up around our community. You will see a difference on these flyers with time and area changes. This is a great time to get involved! Let's all get together for fun in the sun and what better way than with your friendly neighbors.

We are looking for more participation in our Activity Program. We have a garden group of participants tending to the upkeep of the planter boxes in the backyard. We need a few new resident planters, pruners, and helpers to water our flower garden. This is for all you "green thumbs" or those willing to get your hands in the soil. These flowers in the backyard and on the Third Floor Terrace are such a beautiful touch to our community. This is a perfect time to come together and flourish your friendships. Please sign up on our Garden Club sheet at the sign-up table by the Activity Center. Go green!

Lastly, I want to thank all of you for the warm birthday wishes, gifts and the sentimental heartfelt video messages. Oh boy, that was to cry for... Yes, there were crocodile tears! I appreciate Campus Commons and Winding Commons residents for making me feel special.

I could not end it here without saying thanks to my team/Campus family. They showed me so much compassion on my birthday. I was overwhelmed with gratitude. Thanks again to everyone for making my 50<sup>th</sup> birthday... "The Best Ever!"

## April Birthdays

In astrology, those born from April 1–19 are Rams of Aries, the first sign of the zodiac. Rams are unafraid to forge ahead with passion, zeal, and confidence. Full of optimism and hope, they are both eager to get the job done and unafraid to confront problems head-on. Those born from April 20–30 are Bulls of Taurus. While Taureans enjoy the comforts of luxury, they are unafraid of hard work and dedicate themselves to the tasks at hand. Their steadfast nature makes them reliable.

Connie Lineberger, April 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Genelle Palmer, April 6<sup>th</sup>  
Barbara Wunderli, April 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Joyce Kunz, April 25<sup>th</sup>  
Dick Baker, April 30<sup>th</sup>

## April Anniversaries

Susanne Coleman – 7 years  
Virginia Sawyer – 5 years  
Gloria Soto – 5 years  
Renee Davis – 4 years  
Ed Briles – 3 years  
Bob Chadwick – 3 years



## Fun & Random Facts About Easter

The Easter Bunny legend began in Germany. The origin of the Easter Bunny dates back hundreds of years, beginning in pre-Christian Germany. Here, the hare was said to be the symbol of the Pagan Goddess of Spring and Fertility.

Cadbury makes 500 million Crème Eggs every year! If you piled them on top of each other, it would be 10x higher than Mount Everest. The Birmingham factory produces 1.5 million Crème Eggs every day, and the Crème Egg is the most popular egg-shaped chocolate in the world.

The act of painting eggs originates from a Ukrainian tradition. For countless generations, Ukrainians have been decorating eggs as a calling out to the Gods and Goddesses of health and fertility. This traditional act of pysanka (pih-sahn-kah) is made by using wax and dyes, but this colorful custom didn't take off until Ukrainian immigrants came to the U.S.

The world's largest Easter egg weighs in at 5000 lbs. and took 12,000 hours to complete. It is found in Vegreville, Alberta, Canada. Standing at 31 feet tall and 18 feet wide! Named the Vegreville Pysanka, the world's largest Easter egg is more of a jigsaw than a sculpture, as it is made from 3500 pieces of aluminum.

Ever wonder why Easter Sunday changes dates every year. It's down to the lunar calendar and the position of the moon. Easter in fact falls on the first Sunday after the full moon that takes places on or after March 21<sup>st</sup>, which is said to signal the start of spring.

Possibly the world's most expensive egg was sold at Christie's in London for 9 million pounds in 2007, breaking Faberge's record. The enameled egg contains a multi-colored cockerel which at ever hour pops out of the egg and flaps his wings, before nodding his head three times. The egg was made by Karl Faberge in St. Petersburg in 1902 and is the second largest egg ever made by Faberge.

## CST – Critical Signal Technology

As shared last month, we are excited and proud to introduce CST – Critical Signal Technologies to Campus Commons. This is a multi-resident emergency response system. Each resident will be given (free of charge) a waterproof pendant. There are two styles to choose from: necklace or wristband. The pendants do not require charging. The battery life is 3-5 years and will send CST a low battery signal when it needs to be replaced.

How it works: A resident presses the pendant and if CST is unable to reach the resident, CST will assume they need emergency assistance and will dispatch EMS. The pendant program works with either a landline or a cellular phone.

By utilizing the most modern internet technology through the means of a network line, the pendants will replace the antiquated pull cords in each apartment. Once we are up and running with the pendant program, the pull cords will be removed from each apartment.

Our hope is that all residents will take advantage of this program. It is not mandatory, but it is strongly encouraged since there will no longer be pull cords in each apartment. Some residents have already inquired if they have their own pendant, can they continue to use it. The answer is yes! We will just make note to CST that you have another pendant source.

Don't forget to complete your form and return it to the office as soon as possible. Be sure to write clearly. If you would like help completing the form, please let us know.

If you have any questions, please be sure to let us know.