## Friends make the best neighbors.

Refer a friend to Prairie

Hills and receive a

month's rent for move in.

Speak with Cindy for details.



REMINDER: In the Activity
Room, we have a
wonderful selection of
books from the Camanche
Public Library. Remember
that you must return them
when you are finished
reading them. There will
be tickets in the book,
please sign it and leave it
on Becky's desk. We really
appreciate the CPL for
their lending library.



Randy S-3<sup>rd</sup>
Sharon L-9<sup>th</sup>
Cornelia V-17<sup>th</sup>
Glady J-18<sup>th</sup>
Donna C-20<sup>th</sup>
Marlene H-26<sup>th</sup>

Sunday Services:
we would like to encourage
you to bring your bible and
join in for some fellowship.
We will be meeting in the
library at 1pm on Sundays
for our very own resident
led worship.

## Happening at the Hills

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Becky Hull, Life Enrichment. Cindy Reid, Director

## **Celebrating August**

**International Pirate Month** 

**American Adventures Month** 

Read a Romance Novel Month

Sturgis Motorcycle Rally

August 6–15

Sandcastle Day
August 7

Elvis Week
August 11–17

I want to take a minute and highlight some of our amazing team members that jump in to help. It takes the efforts of everyone daily. I want to thank all of our team members for the work they do every day.

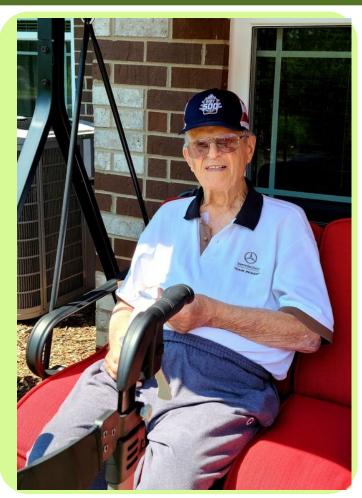


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Crafting in memory care is always fun. Water gun painting was messy and full of laughs.





Enjoying some fresh air and sunshine.



## **Decoding History**



August 14 is Code Talkers Day, a day to recognize the invaluable contributions of the World War II Navajo code talkers. Using a complex Navajo-based code, these cryptographers encoded and transmitted

messages to American forces working in the Pacific theater. The encoded language was so unique that it was never cracked by the Japanese.

While tremendous gratitude is owed to the famed Navajo code talkers of World War II, they were not the first Native American code talkers to be employed by the U.S. military. During World War I, a small group of Cherokee soldiers from western North Carolina were attached to British troops fighting the Germans off the west coast of France. When it was discovered that the Germans were intercepting communications, the Cherokee cleverly volunteered to transmit messages in their native language. The soldiers had guessed correctly. The Germans could not translate the communications. This tactic proved so effective that it was reused during World War II.

It was Philip Johnston, a non-native speaker of Navajo and a World War I veteran, who suggested the use of the Navajo language as code to the Marine Corps. Johnston knew enough of the language to know that it would be indecipherable to the Japanese. The Marines quickly recruited Navajo and helped them develop a code that could be rapidly transmitted and decoded. Throughout the entirety of the war, the Navajo code talkers would gain a stellar reputation for the skill, speed, and accuracy of their code-making. The Navajo may be the most famous of the code talkers, but they were in no way alone. Native speakers of Comanche, Assiniboine, Cree, Meskwaki, Mohawk, Muscogee, and Tlingit also provided unbreakable code for U.S. forces. The Code Talkers Recognition Act of 2008 finally recognized every Native American code talker with a Congressional Gold Medal.



It is nice to have "Live to be Healthy" back in the building again. Thank you Madison, we are all enjoying having you here.

