

Pace

Resident Birthdays

Edna Warrick - 8th
Kay McKenzie - 12th
Elsie DeSantis - 16th
Charles Spencer - 20th
Donald Pasquale - 25th

Donald Eichbaum - 25th Mary-Beth Williamson - 28th

Employee Birthdays

Haley Godfrey - 9th John Fletcher - 17th Johnathon Shelton - 22nd Ashley Farmer - 23rd



Save the Date

Resident Council - 11th St. Patrick's Party - 17th Culinary Council - 20th Arcadia Store - 25th February Birthday Party - 27th

Letter from Executive Director

Happy March Everyone!

It is hard to believe that we are starting the third month of 2025. We have had some frigid temperatures for northwest Florida, but what about that snow!! It sure was beautiful to look at. Who would have thought it would have stuck around for a few days?

The first day of Spring is just around the corner on March 20th, so hopefully the weather will warm up. The days will be getting longer after we "spring" ahead with daylight saving on the 9th and before you know it, we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day!

Last month we announced our Arcadia Ambassador for 2024. Please Congratulate John Fletcher. He has done an amazing job and is very deserving of this award. March wraps up our first quarter for The Arcadia Way 2025. Nominations can be made through the 31st of the month. The forms are located at the concierge desk. Two members of the Arcadia staff will be recognized as Arcadia Ambassadors in April for Quarter 1. Please take time to nominate your favorite employee.

We also transitioned to our new cable and internet system, Groove TV, last month. While some of the quirks are still being worked out, we did manage to get through the bulk of it. The cable box in your room is not to be moved. Each box has a \$150 deposit that goes with it. If this box is removed, you will be responsible for the cost of replacement. We are learning this new system together, but if you have any questions, please come to John or myself and if we do not have an answer, we will get one for you.

Just a quick reminder, this is a smokefree campus. That being said, there are designated smoking areas. Please be sure to abide by the rules and smoke in those areas only. Also, make sure you extinguish your cigarettes. Last month someone flicked a cigarette and caught the straw on fire. Luckily, it was quickly noticed and extinguished before it caused any damage but could have been so much worse.

I will end this letter with an Irish Proverb in celebration of St. Patrick's Day. A good friend is like a four-leaf clover; hard to find and lucky to have.

Sincerely, Carol Ettelson

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Resident Spotlight

Richard Hirn



Richard Hirn was born on January 23, 1943, in Liberal, Kansas. Richard grew up in a small family with just one sister. He developed a passion for rodeo at a young age and competed in two events—bareback riding and cattle roping, which was his favorite.

In high school, he met Carla, who would become his first wife. They married during their senior year of high school. After graduating in 1970, Richard left Kansas to pursue a career in the oil industry, taking him to the Middle East.

Throughout his 26-year career, Richard worked on a rotational schedule—28 days on, followed by 28 days off. During his time off, he returned home to spend quality time with Carla and their growing family. Together, they raised four children: three daughters and a son. His work in the oil industry took him across various regions of the Middle East, giving him a wealth of experiences.

After his marriage to Carla ended, Richard retired from the oil industry in 1996 and relocated to Florida. Shortly after moving, he met Pamela, and the two fell in love and married. Retirement offered him the freedom to explore new interests, leading him to invest in real estate. He spent much of his time buying and renovating properties in Florida and Kansas.

Beyond real estate, Richard enjoys pheasant hunting in Kansas, reading western novels, watching classic western shows, and continuing his passion for home renovations. His life has been marked by adventure, hard work, and a love for the simple pleasures that bring him happiness.

"Gnome on the Roam"



The Gnome is still "On the Roam!" Much like
"Elf/Santa on the Shelf," we will be hiding this
"Gnome" somewhere throughout the building
each morning. It will not be in any personal
bedrooms, bathrooms, or outside. If you so
happen to find the "Gnome," pick it up and bring it
to Hailie, or the Concierge for a golden ticket! We
will be hiding our "Gnome" for all holiday seasons!
However, this summer gnome will be roaming
through the end of September. The Gnome
pictured to the left is the only gnome we will
accept. Stay tuned for more "Gnome on the Roam"
updates. Good luck everyone!

Keeping Up with the Arcadians





















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