

## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Wow, we don't have a single birthday this month!

### **MARCH HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **MARDI GRAS**













ST. PATTY'S DAY FUN







**READ ACROSS AMERICA** 







## \$3,500 RESIDENT REFERRAL BONUS

Have you shared your love for Waltonwood lately? When you refer someone to a Waltonwood community, they'll thank you for it - and then we'll thank you for it too! Ask for details!

FRIENDS & FAMILY REFERRAL PROGRAM!

# TWELVE OAKS CONNECT

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"Spring is April's way of saying, "Let's, Bloom."

(author unknown)

April is also about new beginnings. So, for our Tiger fans there is nothing more exciting than a new baseball season. So, don your *Tiger Spirit Wear*, grab a box of Cracker Jack's and let's cheer on our **Detroit Tiger's during their Home Opener on Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup>!** 

Our community will be celebrating the religious holidays of **Palm Sunday, Passover** and **Easter** in a variety of ways. So, please join us at our *Palm Sunday Service, Family Easter Brunch, Passover Sedar, Easter Basket Weaving Craft, Coloring of Easter Eggs, the showing of "The Passion of Christ" and Good Friday "Stations of the Cross".* 

April is also **Volunteer Appreciation Month!** Our community is blessed to have so many wonderful, dedicated Volunteers: Marianne & Rosemary - St. William Catholic Eucharistic Ministers Sue & the Faith Presbyterian Church Lay Ministers Deacon Pete and Friends – St. James Catholic Church Pastor RaeLee - Non Denomination Service Margaret & Mike - Non Denomination Church Lay Ministers Leah & school children – Jewish Holidays Shirley - Catholic Eucharistic/Ashes Minister Dr. Sue & Gail - musical entertainment Derek & Angelina – musical entertainment *Jim Duprey* – musical entertainment Sunny - Activities Collies (Lisa & Dave) - Pet Therapy Tino (Michelle) - Pet Therapy Sydney (Ann) - Pet Therapy

Thank you! We couldn't bloom without you!

## COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT

Joe Whitney
Executive Director

Deanna Hite Business Office Manager

Artie Romualdo Environmental Services Mgr

Jacob Chamberlain Culinary Services Manager

Alyssa "Lee" Tobias Independent Living Manager

Stefanie Roland-Jones Life Enrichment Manager

Heather Laskos Marketing Manager

Casey Hess Marketing Manager

Robert Davis Resident Care Manager

Tynesia Cobb Wellness Coordinator

Priyanka Ghelani Wellness Coordinator

#### **ASSOCIATE SPOTLIGHT- ROB DAVIS**

We welcome Rob Davis to WTO in the role of Resident Services Manager. Rob is a Registered Nurse (RN), who brings with him 30 years of nursing experience, the majority of which has been in Skilled Nursing Rehabilitation Centers. Rob has worked as a floor nurse, therapy nurse, infection control nurse, Assistant Director of Nursing, and then Director of Nursing for 15 years.



Rob grew up in Dearborn Heights. After high school he served in the Army for 3 years. He served in Germany and witnessed the Berlin Wall being taken down. He has 2 sons in middle school. Rob enjoys the Spring and Summer the most, because he and his sons love to camp, spend time outside and fish.

Rob came to Waltonwood Twelve Oaks due to our reputation, and has been very happy with his decision.

We look forward to all of the knowledge that he can share with our community in order to best serve our wonderful residents and their families.

#### MARCH HIGHLIGHTS

As always, the Mardi Gras festivities were fun and enjoyed by many! Residents enjoyed decorating their masks and winning beads at "M-A-R-D-I" bingo.

Everyone is Irish when Daniel celebrates St. Patrick's Day with us! A fun time was had by all!

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Residents had a wonderful time learning about the Jewish holiday of **Purim** where they enjoyed a *festive game*, a delicious goody bag and a visit from an adorable "Duck", who dressed up for the holiday.



Three of our residents visited a local Pre-K class for Read Across America. I'm not sure who had more fun the residents or the students?









## **FOREVER FIT - The Perfect Pair**

A strong body starts from the ground up and choosing the right shoes is key part of keeping our feet healthy. Correctly fitting shoes can help to reduce foot, knee, hip and back pain and promote healthy circulation. Shoes with low-padded heal drops, proper arch support and wide bases with good traction can also drastically help to reduce the risk of falls. As we age it's not uncommon for our feet to also get wider and flatter. Nearly 1/3 of seniors will suffer from chronic foot pain much of which is caused by ill fitted footwear. Having your feet accurately measured by professionals who specialize in shoes for seniors can help to ensure a well fitted shoes and feet that will feel the difference.

#### TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Join us this month as we venture out to...

April 2 **Kroger Shopping** 

April 2 **EMAGINE Movie Theatre: "Snow White" (new non animated)** 

April 9 Daviddi Antique Store followed by lunch at the Rainbow Room (Chinese)

April 16 **Dine & Discover: Detroit Architecture in Focus** 

April 16 Walk at Lakeshore Park

April 23 Lunch Outing: Cheesecake Factory (in honor of Nat'l Cherry Cheesecake Day)

April 23 **Walk at Maybury Park** 

The bus is available for Transportation on **Thursday** for Doctor's Appointments.

#### **APRIL SPECIAL EVENTS**

For our art lovers, we have a wonderful Ed Program scheduled for today: "Museum Mysteries" presented by the **DIA** 

Join us for an early *Arbor Day* Ed Program, "Michigan Trees" hosted by Jen & Brenna from Wayne County Parks.

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Kyle is back this month with a Our month rounds out with one wonderful "Great American Road Trip" part 3 Travelogue.

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last, must see, Ed Program: "Scam Prevention" with retired Sqt. Robert Haig. All are welcome.



### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CORNER – Joe Whitney**

As we head into April seasons are changing. With that we have had some changes at Waltonwood Twelve Oaks. We have hired a new Resident Services Manager, Robert Davis who comes to WTO with extensive experience in senior living. Rob has been working with seniors for more than 20 years and has a passion in helping others. We are lucky to have added Rob to the team. Many of you have already had the pleasure of meeting and working with Rob. If you have not, feel free to take a moment the next time you are in and meet him.