

### Musical Highlights This Month

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2:15 p Bobby G 2 p D&A Duo 2 p Charlene

Guitar & Vocals Keyboards & Violin Guitar & Vocals

## **Birthdays**

Residents:

Jane G. 4/13

Patricia M. 4/14

Sally J. 4/23

**Dennis A. 4/23** 

Tim O. 4/27

Staff:

Donna Hevel – 4/3

Giselle Martinez – 4/13

Paige Culver – 4/16

Jessica Simpson – 4/21

Sandra St Clair – 4/25

# 10

15

25

2 p Lukas

1 p Travel'n Bob

1:30 p Billie McAllister

Accordion

Guitar & Vocals

Vocals

# 29 1:30 p Boogie Woogie Kid Piano



FRIENDS & FAMILY REFERRAL PROGRAM!

### \$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!

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# COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT

Aaron Nash

Culinary Services Manager

**Taylor Crowe**Environmental Services
Manager

**Donna Donakowski** AL Life Enrichment Manager

Celeste Roth
Marketing Manager

**Tammy Collins**Business Manager

Brennen Bollinger independent Living Manager

Lauren Carbonara

IL Life Enrichment Manager

Amber Williams
Resident Care Manager

Kristie Campbell-Small Wellness Coordinator



### **Employee Spotlight- Molly**

We are very excited to announce our second Employee of the Month for 2025: Molly! Molly has been a concierge with Waltonwood since September 2024, and she has made a lasting impact on our community in the 6 months she has been here. Tammy, who oversees the concierges, described her as a welcoming presence at the front desk and someone who is always eager to help the team in any way she can. Molly's favorite part of working at Waltonwood is interacting with the residents. "They are always able to put a smile on my face," she explained. When not working at the front desk, she enjoys crocheting, reading, and baking sourdough bread. One of her special skills is how quickly she can crochet; once she crocheted 5 blankets in 1 month! We are incredibly lucky to have Molly as a part of our Waltonwood team, and we appreciate all of her hard work every day

### March Highlights

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Paczki Day

Read Across America

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St. Patrick's Day

**Shamrock Shakes** 

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Danielle Baby Shower









### 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.

### The First Detroit Tiger's Opening Day

On April 13, 1896, the first pitch was thrown at the new park, Bennet Park/Navin Field – officially dedicated just a few days prior. This Opening Day was important because this new location would be home to Detroit's baseball team for the next 104 seasons, but also because the team got its name! When the team walked out to begin playing, its familiar cream-colored uniforms with "Detroit" in maroon block letters across the front were nowhere to be found. Over the winter the Detroit Free Press reported the team would wear "white uniforms with black trimmings for home games. Instead of the word Detroit on the shirt front there will be a German letter "D" on one side." Another change to the uniform in 1896 had even larger ramifications—giving the team its recognizable name! Manager George Stallings, hoping to change the team's luck, swapped out their solid black socks for black with yellowish-brown stripes. This change prompted newspapers to start calling the Tigers, and the name stuck! Previously newspapers of the time referred to the Detroit team simply as the Detroit's, the Creams (for their uniforms), the Wolverines, and even the Giants on a few occasions. Despite some tweaks over the years, the uniform (and team name) has remained largely unchanged in the 127 years since. Even though they placed 4th that year in the league, 1896 was a landmark year for the club: their first game at Michigan and Trumbull; adopting the Old English (or German) D; and receiving their team's name — certainly the start of something new. That first opening day had all the trappings of the current version; music, large crowds, playing hooky from work and school, local politicians throwing out the first pitch etc. But Opening Day 1896 was not only the birth of a new season, but it was also the birth of the modern Detroit Tigers.

### **April Events**

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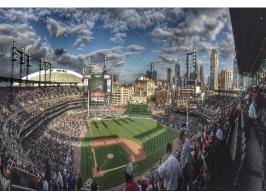
Tigers Baseball Opening Day Jenny's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration!

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Easter Brunch Buffet

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Easter Sunday



**Comerica Park** 

**Home of Tigers Baseball** 

### **Executive Director - Noah Stinson**

As we welcome the month of April, we embrace the beauty and renewal that spring brings. The flowers are blooming, the days are getting longer, and it's the perfect time for fresh starts and new beginnings. At Waltonwood, we're excited to celebrate this vibrant season with you all, offering a variety of activities to bring our community together.

We're especially looking forward to our upcoming Easter Brunch Buffet, a special gathering for residents and their families to enjoy delicious food and create lasting memories. With warmer weather approaching, we look forward to spending more time outdoors, enjoying the fresh air, and soaking in the beauty of the season. Whether it's a peaceful stroll through the courtyards or a lively social event, spring gives us all the perfect opportunity to connect and make the most of the sunshine.