

# The Fair Oaks News

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## Happy Birthday!

Best wishes to our residents and staff celebrating birthdays this month.

### Residents

7/2	Louise M.
7/8	Betty M.
7/11	Thomas W.

### Employees

7/8	Zaio N.
7/12	Wenzel L.
7/15	Rivera E.
7/20	Combs A.
7/25	DeStefano L.
7/26	Scarabelot A.
7/27	Schroeder E.

## A Medal of Honor for Fair Oaks



Something wonderful has happened right here at Fair Oaks Health Care Center. It started with a quiet yet determined goal shared by our team: Let's

be the best we can be. Not just for awards or praise, but because our residents deserve nothing less. From nurses to aides, from therapists to dining staff, the team came together with one purpose: to keep improving every single day.

This spring, our efforts earned national recognition. Fair Oaks was awarded the Bronze National Quality Award from the American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living

(AHCA/NCAL). It's not just any award — it's the kind that takes months of planning, lots of teamwork, and a big heart for service.

This journey helped us look closely at what we do well and what we can do even better. The process has helped our team use data and feedback to grow stronger together. But the real inspiration? The trust our residents and families place in us every day.

The Bronze Award means we're officially among the best in the nation for excellence in care. And we're not stopping there. Fair Oaks is already gearing up to go for the Silver!

So, the next time you see a staff member in the hallway, give them a smile or a high five. Because this award isn't just for Fair Oaks; it's for all of us who call this place home and are part of the Fair Oaks family.

# Fair Oaks

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## Join Us For A Good Time At Our Summer Bash

A cookout celebration for our residents, staff, their families, and resident families! Enjoy complementary food and drinks, lawn games, music, and fun for all ages. Come relax, connect, and soak up the sunshine with us!

**Date:** Thursday, July 17th

**Time:** 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

**Location:** Fair Oaks Courtyard

Please RSVP to Norma Miranda or the front desk by July 10th so we can plan for plenty of food and fun! Don't miss out on this special celebration

## Upcoming Events

07/02 Water Gardening  
07/03 Happy Hour  
07/04 4th of July Ice Cream Social  
07/08 Music W/ Tony  
07/11 Sip & Paint  
07/15 Abednego Visit  
07/16 Mass  
07/17 Church Service  
07/17 Crystal Lake Library W/ Katie

06/17 Summer Bash & BBQ  
07/18 Men's Club  
07/20 Adult Painting  
07/21 Mocktail Party  
07/23 No Baking (Chocolate Parfait)  
07/24 Book Club  
07/28 Crocheting Club  
07/29 Birthday Party  
07/31 Manicure

## Celebrate Ice Cream Month with a Scoop of Creativity!

July is Ice Cream Month, and what better way to celebrate than by thinking outside the carton? July 1 is Creative Ice Cream Flavor Day, a sweet invitation to dream up your own imaginative ice cream flavor with no rules required!



If you could invent any ice cream flavor, what would it be? Mix sweet with spicy, fruity with crunchy, or even throw in a savory surprise. This is your chance to bring back flavors from your childhood or create something totally new and unexpected.



**Need a little inspiration?**  
**Try these fun combinations:**

- Strawberry shortcake with a drizzle of salted caramel
- Vanilla bean swirled with toasted granola and coconut
- Mint chocolate chip with a hint of lemon zest
- Chocolate peanut butter with real strawberry or grape jam drizzle
- Cookies & cream with a splash of espresso
- Salted caramel with pretzel pieces and dark chocolate chips
- Lemon ice cream with hot fudge a dash of sea salt



Celebrate with family and friends! Share flavor ideas, sketch your dream cone, or try a fun, new flavor combination or toppings. Whether you're revisiting old favorites or inventing something new, the joy is in the creativity and the tasting. [Grab a spoon and celebrate Ice Cream Month your way—with a scoop of imagination!](#)



## Silent Auction to Benefit Alzheimer's Association Join Us in Supporting a Great Cause!

**Silent Auction to Benefit Alzheimer's Association Join Us in Supporting a Great Cause!**

We invite you to be part of our Silent Auction at Fair Oaks, where your bid can help make a difference in the fight against Alzheimer's disease.

The different departments at Fair Oaks have donated gift baskets for this event.

Baskets will be on display beginning Friday, August 15th at the facility

Bids will be accepted until Monday, September 15 with winners being announced Tuesday, September 16th

All proceeds will benefit the

Alzheimer's Association, funding research, support programs, and resources for those affected by Alzheimer's and related dementias.

Baskets were donated by employees of Fair Oaks (each department had a theme)

**Exciting Auction Items Include:**

- Wine Themed Basket
- Summer Themed Basket
- Italian Dinner Themed Basket
- Coffee Themed Basket
- Gift Card Themed Basket
- Movie Themed Basket
- Baking Themed Basket
- After Dark Mystery Basket

