

April Resident of the Month and Birthdays.

Melba Lee is our Resident of the Month. Melba grew up in Anniston, Alabama. She was married to Sterling Lee and they had two daughters. She loved to paint gourds, do crafts, and paint Christmas scenes. She was a wedding planner and made wedding cakes.

April Birthdays:

- Betty Cloninger 4/1
- Daryl Bearden 4/4
- Melba Lee 4/4
- Wilma Taylor 4/15
- Kathryn Carter 4/7



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from acting to playwriting and eventually became the owner and manager of the very venues where his plays were performed, the Globe and Blackfriars Theatres. As Shakespeare's fame grew, he caught the notice of the noble classes. His drama company became the official troupe of both Queen Elizabeth I and King James I, and his works were regularly performed before the royal court. Shakespeare's success won him the respect of his peers and

garnered him vast wealth. As a show of his success, he returned to Stratford-upon-Avon to purchase the largest house in the town. Where Shakespeare's father had lost a fortune, William had built one. Surprisingly, a definitive collection of Shakespeare's plays wasn't compiled until after his death. In 1623, two members of his troupe published the so-called *First Folio*, which remains to this day one of the most significant and esteemed works in the English language.

Get Things Rolling

On Monday, April 22, Americans will enjoy an annual Easter tradition by rolling Easter eggs on the South Lawn of the White House. The Easter egg roll is one of the White House's oldest annual events. While informal egg-rolling parties may have been held at the White House as far back as Abraham Lincoln's administration, it was Dolley Madison who first suggested a public egg roll, not at the White House but at the U.S Capitol in 1872. Landscaping concerns led Congress to ban the practice in 1878, but legend has it that angry citizens stormed the White House gates and

demanded that children be allowed to roll their eggs. President Rutherford B. Hayes had little choice but to open the South Lawn of the White House, and the event has taken place there ever since. The celebration has evolved over the years. In 1933, Eleanor Roosevelt greeted rollers over a national radio broadcast, and in 1974, the egg-rolling race was initiated, with contestants using spoons from the White House kitchen. While the event has been canceled due to inclement weather or even in times of war, Americans know that come Easter Monday, eggs will roll.



Love is supreme and unconditional; like is nice but limited.

- Duke Ellington



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Celebrating April

Global Astronomy Month

Jazz Appreciation Month

Golden Rule Week
April 1-7

No Housework Day
April 7

Barbershop Quartet Day
April 11

Scrabble Day
April 13

Easter
April 21

Hug an Australian Day
April 26

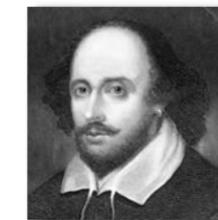
William's Fair Shake

Historians believe that the famous playwright William Shakespeare was born on April 23, 1564, and then died on that same date in the year 1616. Some argue that too little is known about Shakespeare to prove he was a famous writer, yet a wealth of records of his life exist.

William Shakespeare's father, John, was a prominent figure in his hometown of Stratford-upon-Avon. John was a successful glove maker, tanner, and wool dealer as well as a respected city councilman and town mayor. William Shakespeare's mother, Mary Arden, also came from a prosperous family. Her father ran a successful farm near Stratford. The Shakespeare family's wealth, sadly,

did not last. By the time William was about 10 years old, his father's business had collapsed, and they were forced to mortgage even Mary's inheritance. Perhaps this is why young William attended a rather unremarkable local school and completed his education at the age of 14.

William Shakespeare desired to be more than the son of a farmer, so he left Stratford for London, where he became an actor. He progressed



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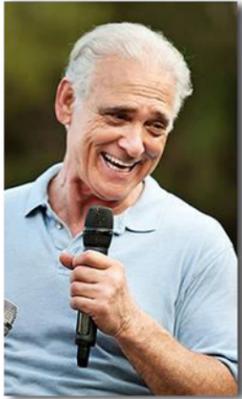
Spirit Week

Let's all have some fun! The week of **April 14th** we will be having Spirit Week. Each day residents, staff, and whomever comes to visit, will be able to participate in the fun each day.
Sunday: Encourage someone today.
Monday: Wear your favorite team's shirt.

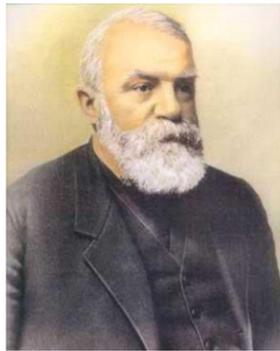
On Monday at 3:30 we will have a Spirit Week Party to celebrate all the wonderful people who live at Oakview Park. Also, the staff that works so hard

and with such heart.
Tuesday: Throwback Tuesday. (Wear an outfit from your favorite era.)
Wednesday: Crazy Hair Day
Thursday: Pajama Day
Friday: Twins Day (Dress the same as someone else.)
Saturday: Crazy Leggings Day

Singing Machine



The most popular karaoke song in the world is "Billie Jean" by Michael Jackson.



We are told to let our light shine, and if it does, we won't need to tell anybody it does. Lighthouses don't fire cannons to call attention to their shining – they just shine.
- Dwight L. Moody

The fourth week in April is Karaoke Week! So grab a microphone and belt out your favorite song. Bars and clubs all over the world will be hosting karaoke contests and competitions. If you're feeling a bit shy, then perhaps the story of karaoke's inventor will help you find some confidence.

Karaoke was invented in Japan. The word *karaoke* is a combination of two Japanese terms: *kara*, meaning "empty," and *oke*, which is the shortened form of *okesutora*, meaning "orchestra." What is an "empty orchestra"? This is another way of describing an orchestra that has a lead part missing. And that lead part is the all-important voice of the singer. Sing-alongs have been an important part of Japanese get-togethers for centuries. But it wasn't until 1971 that musician Daisuke Inoue invented a machine that could do the work of an entire band.

Inoue was a drummer and not a very good one at that. When he

Employee of the month.

Our employee of the month is Morgan Stacey. Morgan is a fun, loud, and entertaining person. From the time she was born until now she was always taught to have a big heart. Morgan said, "I love helping people and always have. When I'm not at work I'm always helping people by volunteering with Special Olympics SC or focusing on my school work to become a registered nurse. I've always believed the saying 'Be the change you wish to see in the world.' and that will never change."

couldn't make it in a band, he found work playing drums for Japanese businessmen who liked to sing during amateur nights. When one businessman asked Inoue to play backup at another event, Inoue declined the invitation but came up with another idea. He taped his drum solo so that the singer could play the tape and sing along in his absence. It wasn't long before Inoue realized the genius of this idea and invented a machine fitted with amplifiers and background music that allowed singers to perform without a full band. Inoue's machines were an instant hit. By the 1980s, it seemed that every bar in Japan had a karaoke machine. Unfortunately for Inoue, he never patented his invention and so never earned a cent. It was a Filipino inventor named Roberto del Rosario who claimed that honor. However, Inoue's name has entered the history books. In 2004, he even was awarded a mock "Peace Prize" for inventing a machine that brings people together.



The Battles of Concord and Lexington began the American Revolutionary War.

The Ballad of John Parker

On April 19, 1775, a farmer and mechanic named John Parker rallied his militia of farmers against a battalion of 700 British troops. The British were on the march to Concord, Massachusetts, in search of weapons and supplies hidden by the American colonists. As the "red coats" approached, Parker's men stood their ground in Lexington, on the road to Concord. They were under Parker's strict orders not to

shoot. After all, the Revolutionary War had not started yet. Alas, a fateful shot was fired, the now-famous "shot heard round the world," and the American War for Independence began. To this day, no one knows who fired first. Visitors to the Lexington Battle Green can see a statue known as *The Lexington Minuteman*. It represents John Parker and every other soldier who fought for independence.

Honoring Recipes.

For the next few months we will be choosing a recipe from those submitted by residents. Our wonderful Chef Jeremy will be making the chosen recipe and serving it to our residents. This month's recipe was submitted by Janice Johnson! We are so excited to taste her recipe for Green Pea Casserole. If anyone is interested in submitting a recipe, please see Britany the Activity Director.

Instructions:

Preheat the oven to 250 degrees. Drain the peas and then mix all of the ingredients together. Grease a large casserole dish and place the mixture in the dish. Melt the butter in a sauce pan and top the casserole with the crackers and melted butter. Bake for 20-30 minutes until the casserole is bubbling and the cheese is just beginning to brown.



If more of us valued food and cheer and song above hoarded gold, it would be a merrier world.
- J.R.R. Tolkien.

Green Pea Casserole
Ingredients:

- 1 can of Leisure Peas with onions
- 1 small can of sliced water chestnuts
- 1 cup of shredded mild cheddar cheese
- 1 can of cream of celery soup
- 1 small jar of pimentos
- 1 roll of Ritz crackers crushed
- 1 stick of butter

