

Home Times Monthly

*A newsletter for Pond Home residents with
all the news that's fit to print*

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To My Dear Residents:

As you all know, we are in the process of a major renovation of our kitchen facilities in Pond Home. The kitchen crew has done an amazing job adjusting the location and process we use to make and deliver all the meals to each of you. They are maintaining terrific outlooks, and according to the feedback from you, serving you with their usual kindness and smiles.

Our CNA staff and RP's are also doing a great job adjusting to the changes that are impacting your and their schedules with meal delivery.

You each also deserve kudos for being gracious as we go through this process, which will ultimately improve the quality and consistency of the food preparation at Pond Home. Thank you each for your understanding and grace in helping to make this a more manageable experience.

Construction always comes with some surprises, and this project is no exception. As you know, our temporary kitchen's brand-new dishwasher gave us trouble the first day we needed it to work! One of the nicest surprises has been everyone's kindness and can-do attitude during the project.

The expected completion for the kitchen renovation is the end of July. We look forward to showing off the completed space then.

Thanks for reading!



Becky Annis, Administrator



**"KINDNESS IS
THE GLUE
THAT HOLDS
HUMANITY
TOGETHER."**



PATCHES' PURRSPECTIVE

I have been enjoying this spring and perfecting my strut around the building.

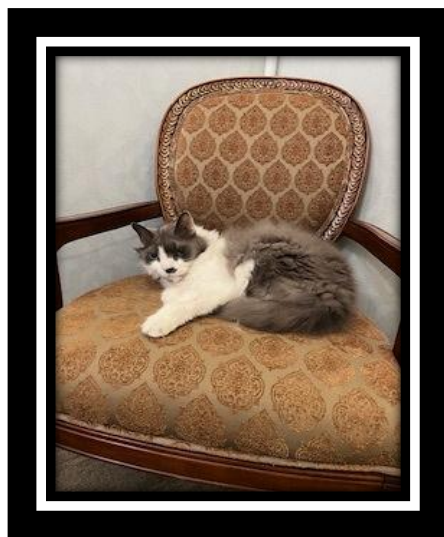
On the 15th, you can all do the same at the Annual Spring Stroll!

What is the Spring Stroll, you may ask? It is an opportunity to be reminded (or check out for the first time) all our beautiful outside spaces and almost outside space. We have lots of them here at Pond Home. So, grab your friends and family members and let's take a stroll around the property checking out all the spaces for outdoor visits and nature gazing.

I will be watching from a window, because they won't let me outside. Something about hawks and fisher cats...

Following the stroll, you will have an ice cream social in Blooming Corner. I will not be participating in that either, as I am lactose intolerant. You guys have all the fun!

And that is my purrrrrspective.....
Your furry friend



COMMENT/GRATITUDE BOARD

Dietary Staff is
doing an amazing
job through all the
CHAOS of
construction!!!

Thank you to the
entire nursing staff
for helping with all
my husband's needs.
Jean T.

Everyone is so
warm and
welcoming. I feel
like I have been
here for years.
Nancy H.

You would never
know that the
kitchen renovation
was happening.
Everything is
running so
smoothly.
Marilyn S.

Kristin is always so
pleasant and there to
help with my needs.
Elaine W.

WORDS OF WISDOM

- ❖ "June is the time for being in the world in new ways, for throwing off the cold and dark spots of life."
- ❖ "June is the pearl of summer, shining with warmth and joy."
- ❖ "In June, let your dreams bloom like summer flowers."
- ❖ "Every sunrise this month is a chance to start anew."
- ❖ "June whispers: 'Take the leap, the net will appear.'"
- ❖ "Summer afternoon, summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language."
- ❖ "If a June night could talk, it would probably boast it invented romance."
- ❖ "Courage is the first step toward your summer goals."



June Birthday's

Barbara Lowell 1st

Frankie Williams 10th

Alice Hilton 19th

Barbara Brunner 26th

RON'S KITCHEN CORNER

Next menu meeting will be in September - Date to be determined.

June 21st - Father's Day Dinner - Ham dinner with Assorted cheesecakes for dessert!!

Construction has started, we thank you for their patience, the dietary staff is working VERY HARD!!! 😊

Kitchen Renovation Plan

Pond Home is embarking on a full kitchen renovation. Work on this began on May 11th. We have prepared a temporary kitchen so that we can continue to cook and provide meals three times a day, seven days a week.

- The cooking kitchen has moved from Pond Home to the Community Center at Pond Meadow. This took effect May 11th.
- The service area of the kitchen has moved from the kitchen to the employee break room. This took effect May 11th.
- The break room has moved to the Craft Room. This took effect on April 23rd.
- Crafts will take place as normally scheduled but will be held in the living room.
- It is a domino effect of activity, as you can see!
- The work is expected to take place now through July.

Why are we doing this? The kitchen was last fully renovated in 2000. While we have repaired or replaced much of the equipment, we need to replace floors, walls, ceilings, and lighting, so it is necessary to shut the kitchen down for this significant improvement.

We promise to share the before and after with all of you.

While we are utilizing the temporary kitchen, we will not be able to provide grilled sandwiches of any kind. We can provide toasted, but not grilled sandwiches. We will be able to provide fried eggs, but omelets will not be available during this time.

We thank you in advance for your support and patience as we make this necessary improvement to our working environment and the space your food is prepared.

REMINDER FROM THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Just a friendly reminder from Maintenance, if you have a need for work to be performed or notice something that needs to be fixed, please put in a work order. You can do this by speaking to anyone in the front office.

The Kitchen project has begun. Please be careful when walking outside, and take notice of the signs near the kitchen construction area to avoid dangerous situations.

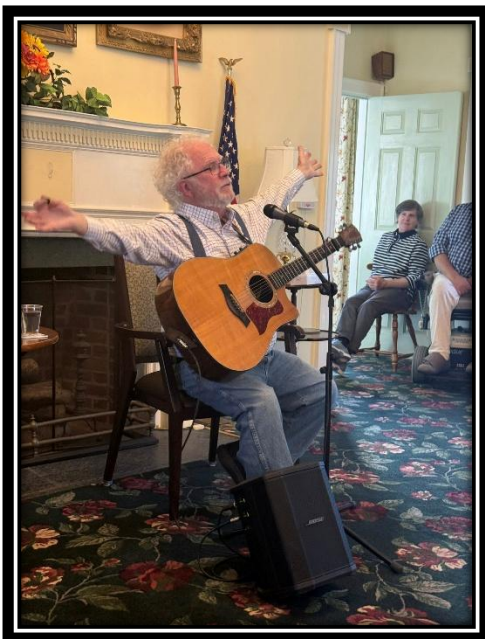
MESSAGE FROM NURSING:

This month's specialty doctor visits are as follows:

- Wednesday, June 17th - Audiology

If you would like to be included on the schedule, please let nursing know.

Activity Highlights from May



Eddie Dillon always performs



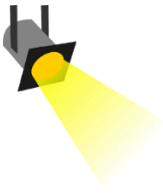
Susan does wonders with resident crafts



Cinco de Mayo cocktails



Spa day is always a hit



Activity Highlights for June

- ~ **Weekly shopping** - Stop & Shop and Target Wednesday's at **10am**
- ~ **Mystery rides Thursdays leaving at 1:30pm**
- ~ **Lending Library** - Monday's at **10am**
- ~ **CUDDLES with CODY** - **Tuesdays at 1pm**
- ~ **Wednesdays Music with Paul & Friends 2pm LR**
- ~ **Social Under the Star** - **Wednesdays after dinner (weather permitting)**
- ~ **Thursdays 11am LR - Veteran's Knitting Project**
- ~ **Thursday Nights - Popcorn & a Movie 6pm LR**
- ~ **Exercise/Morning Stretch daily at 9:15**

Monday Matinee - 1:15pm, LR

- 6/1: "Ordinary Angels"
- 6/8: "The Mirror Cracked"
- 6/22: "The Sandlot"
- 6/29: "Rescued by Ruby"

Saturday Matinee - 1pm, LR

- 6/6: "Mountaintop"
- 6/13: "Remarkably Bright Creatures"
- 6/20: "The Visitor"
- 6/27: "Nothing in Common"

- 6/5: Eddie Dillon performs
- 6/6: Steven King entertains
- 6/8: Gardening Club
- 6/12: Don Rittman entertains
- 6/13: Cooking Club
- 6/15: Catholic Mass
- 6/15: Sing Along with Roberta
- 6/15: Spring Stroll/Ice Cream Social
- 6/19: Michael Leidig plays piano
- 6/22: Beach Trip
- 6/25: Golden Opportunities Dog Visit
- 6/28: Aoife Clancy entertains



HAIRDRESSER THURSDAY & FRIDAY