

April 2024

Letter from Home



From your family at
Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center in Elgin

Waiting for spring!

by Brittney Molitor, JMHCC activities director

Hello, everyone! I know we are all waiting for spring to actually arrive! We have been teased with spring's arrival long enough. But we do have some fun things happening this month!

First, on April Fools Day, we will get all comfy in our pajamas for pajama day. We also have Eileen Baesler's birthday coming up on April 13. There are a couple days we are going to make some yummy snacks, such as fried pickles and chocolate chip cookies!

Depending on the weather, we want to go outside and enjoy some birds and sunshine. We can't forget the residents' favorite games – bingo and Farkle. We also have our JMHCC horse derby on the calendar! Take a look at our activities calendar and join us for any of the other activities we have planned!

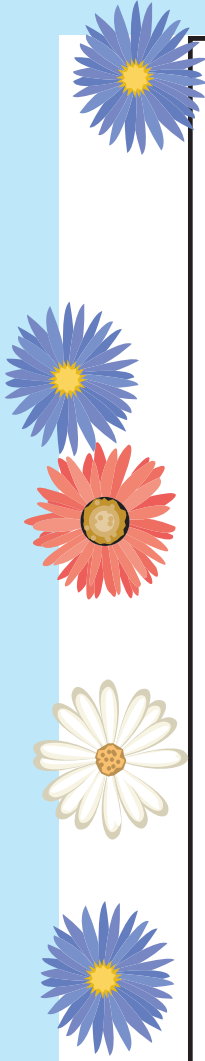
Please feel free to share any ideas you might have for activities or anything you think our residents might enjoy.

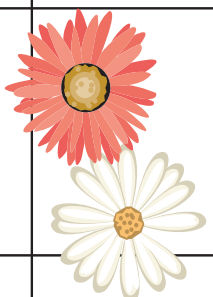
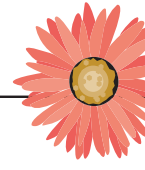
Until next time, have a happy April!

Love, Brittney Molitor

PHOTOS: We gathered everyone during Easter week to have some colorful fun creating colorful Easter eggs! Lots of blue, green, red and yellow eggs came out of the dye, along with some other great colors! Then, we got to enjoy the eggs for breakfast!

APRIL



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>7 9 a.m. Church on TV 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Sunday funnies</p>	<p>1 April Fools Day Pajama Day! 10 a.m. Farkle \$ 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Horse Derby</p>	<p>2 10 a.m. Ball toss 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Resident's choice</p>	<p>3 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Church with Pastor Zimmerman</p>	<p>4 10 a.m. Hair and nail care 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Farkle \$</p>	<p>5 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Jokes and Cokes</p>	<p>6 10 a.m. Saturday jokes 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Movie time</p>
<p>7 9 a.m. Church on TV 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Sunday funnies</p>	<p>8 10 a.m. Plinko 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Farkle \$</p>	<p>9 10 a.m. Baking cookies 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Cookies and social hour</p>	<p>10 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Church with Pastor Amundson</p>	<p>11 10 a.m. Farkle \$ 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Puzzles and more</p>	<p>12 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Movie with popcorn</p>	<p>13 Happy birthday Eileen! 10 a.m. Saturday jokes 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Birthday social</p>
<p>14 9 a.m. Church on TV 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Puzzle time</p>	<p>15 10 a.m. Farkle \$ 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Shut the box</p>	<p>16 10 a.m. Resident council meeting 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Bingo fun</p>	<p>17 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Church with Pastor Ferrie</p>	<p>18 10 a.m. Hair and nail care 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Farkle \$</p>	<p>19 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Patio time</p>	<p>20 10 a.m. Saturday jokes 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Movie time</p>
<p>21 9 a.m. Church on TV 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Sunday funnies</p>	<p>22 10 a.m. Farkle \$ 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Bingo fun</p>	<p>23 10 a.m. Prep pickles 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Fried pickle time</p>	<p>24 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Church with Pastor Haberstroh</p>	<p>25 10 a.m. Hoop shoot 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Farkle \$</p>	<p>26 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Movie with popcorn</p>	<p>27 10 a.m. Saturday jokes 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Mix and mingle with coffee</p>
<p>28 9 a.m. Church on TV 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Puzzle time</p>	<p>29 10 a.m. Farkle \$ 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Visit with staff and friends social hour</p>	<p>30 10 a.m. Bingo fun 11:20 Devotions 1-2:15 R&R 2:30 Farkle \$</p>				



Welcome!

Welcome to a "Letter from Home," a monthly newsletter for the families of residents at Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center.

The mission of Jacobson

Memorial Hospital Care Center:

Advance the health of the communities with respect and accountability, providing peace of mind close to home.

The vision of Jacobson

Memorial Hospital Care Center:

Strive to be the community choice by providing excellent health care through continuous improvement.

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Celebrating birthdays!

Eileen - April 13



New team leading activities

Whether it's a ram-bunctious game of Farkle or cheering on a horse derby, activities abound at Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center (JMHCC).

Two new faces are now leading the activities at JMHCC, including Activities Director Brittney Molitor and Activities Assistant Dana Solley. The two plan everything from lively games to quiet one-on-one visits to put smiles on the residents' faces.



Molitor has worked at JMHCC for two years as a certified nursing assistant (CNA). She started in September 2021, dividing her time between serving as the assistant activities aide and a CNA before becoming a full-time CNA.

Originally from Nevada, she previously worked at the nursing home in Mott in housekeeping before becoming a CNA eight years ago.

Now, she's transitioning back to the activities department.

"I enjoyed it when I first started in activities," she says. "I like doing that kind of thing. I like to see the smiles on their faces. It's fun. I like seeing them happy."

She plans to add more games and more physical activities to the residents' schedules to keep them happy and healthy.

A U.S. Army veteran, Dana Solley served in the military for eight years. His journey then brought him to Mott about 18 years ago, where he most previously worked for the city.

Solley joined JMHCC about a month ago and will work part time as an activities assistant.

"This sounded like something different, something fun," he says. He enjoys visiting with the residents about farming and other topics and was already familiar with some of the residents.

The two are still brainstorming ideas for the activities department and encourage volunteers to visit and share their talents and time with the residents.

Easter fun!

