

A vibrant illustration of a tropical island scene. It features several palm trees with green fronds and clusters of yellow coconuts. The island is lush with various green plants, including ferns and broad-leafed tropical foliage. The entire scene is set against a white background and is framed by a thin yellow border.

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*Tropics*

Mt. Carmel  
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# CONNECTIONS

## Aloha August

Our August activity calendar reads like a travel brochure that captures the aloha spirit of the islands. Part of the charm of Hawaii is that the six major islands all have their own distinct personality, and each one offers something unique for everyone to enjoy. With that in mind, we've handpicked various island-inspired activities that also have their own special appeal. The events on our August calendar will whisk you away to a tropical paradise without you having to leave the premises! We'll immerse ourselves in the culture of the islands by trying our hands at the ancient Hawaiian sport of Ulu Maika, Coconut Bowling, and Tropical Birdie Badminton. We'll also try our hands (and feet) at a hilarious game where the goal is to land flip-flops inside hula-hoop targets! At Chicks Chat, our ladies will have the opportunity to learn to hula! Join us in crafting wreaths made of flip-flops and flowers, making Hawaiian Beach Lanterns, one-of-a-kind Island Flower Watercolor Paintings, and Sand Art Projects. You'll enjoy a variety of games that involve fun with beach balls, two beach-inspired editions of Wheel of Fortune, a Beach Bum I-Spy activity, Luau Scavenger Hunt, and a Flip-Flop Match Game. Don't miss our Hawaiian Lei Throwing Game, where you can literally "ring your partner's neck" by attempting to throw a festive lei over their head! We'll be featuring *Soul Surfer* and one of Elvis' beach movies, *Paradise Hawaiian Style*, in our theater. Relax and let us handle all the details of your Hawaiian experience this month at Mt. Carmel Community.

# Hau'oli La Hanau!



**'Happy Day of Birth!'**

## **Mt. Carmel Residents:**

August 2 • Sue Mooney  
August 4 • Bob Bron  
August 4 • Joan Cowell  
August 4 • Pam Garofalo  
August 6 • Tommie McCauley  
August 7 • Lucy White  
August 7 • Mabel Titsworth  
August 15 • Betty Watterson  
August 16 • Barbara Jones  
August 19 • Phil Morris  
August 21 • Eloise Jarrell  
August 23 • Debbie Pinkerton  
August 28 • Charlene Daniel

## **Mt. Carmel Staff:**

August 1 • Melita Worthy  
August 8 • Jennifer Knighten  
August 11 • Tasha Newton  
August 13 • Shirley Alcorn  
August 16 • Jackie Overton-Greeno  
August 22 • David Denagbe  
August 23 • Randy Jones  
August 25 • Kelly Hamel  
August 27 • Jo Ann Harrison  
August 29 • Lawson Adcock  
August 31 • Brittany Rowan

Help us celebrate our Mt. Carmel family members who have August birthdays, on August 5 at 1:30!

## Tacky Tourist Luau

Palm trees and sandy beaches might seem far away, but we're bringing the tropics to Mt. Carmel Community for our Luau Social Event! Come 'strike a pose' and get your picture taken at our Tacky Tourist Photo Booth to commemorate the occasion! You can also join in the fun by participating in our Tacky Tourist Race. You'll win a special prize if you make it 'to the beach' with your suitcase in hand, put on and take off every item in your bag, repack it, and return home in the shortest amount of time! Our Luau promises to be a tropical treat! Join us on the 18th; we'll be saving you a seat!

## Trips and Tours

Our Wednesday schedule typically includes a chance for you to join us for a few fun field trips, and this month is no exception. Our shopping trips include Target, Walmart, Ollie's Discount Store, and the TJ Maxx / Home Goods Shopping Center. Check the calendar for dates and times, and don't forget to sign up for a spot on the bus. In keeping with our tropical theme for August, we'll go out to lunch at Tropical Smoothie on the 10th. We'll also enjoy lunch at Chicken Salad Chick on the 31st, following our bargain hunting at the adjoining shopping center. Take the opportunity to learn more about our community by touring the Shoppach House and Gann Museum with us on August 17. The Shoppach House was built in 1852 and was home to five generations of Shoppach family members. The house contains items that belonged to the family, as well as donated items of the same era from the community. The Gann Museum was originally the medical office of Dr. Dewell Gann, Sr. It is the only known bauxite building in existence today. The Gann Museum houses an extensive collection of Niloak and other pottery, Indian artifacts, and memorabilia belonging to the Gann family. After our tours, we'll stop at Crumbl Cookies for a fresh-baked gourmet treat before returning home.