

Our April theme, DANCING UP A STORM, will have us celebrating everything from RHYTHM to RAINDROPS! The popular saying, "Life isn't about waiting for the STORM to pass, it's about learning to DANCE in the RAIN," inspired us to fill our April calendar with activities and events that will keep you upbeat and 'on your toes' even on the RAINiest of days! When it comes to activities that celebrate DANCING, we hope you'll give our DANCE Party Wheel of Fortune a whirl! We'll be exploring common sayings related to the world of DANCE. Even if you have two left feet, you can win big at DANCE Bingo and Connect 4 DANCE Steps! Sashay your way to the theater for a few films that include some great DANCE sequences. You can even craft your own Tiny DANCER figurine on the 19th. RAIN or shine, you'll enjoy our WEATHER-related Wheel of Fortune games this month. Our RAINING Cats and Dogs edition will include popular cat and dog idioms, while our RAINY WEATHER Wheel of Fortune puzzles are all common sayings related to the subject of RAIN. At Wheel of Fortune on the 24th, you can choose 'WEATHER' or Not you want the puzzle to feature a WEATHER song title. If not, the puzzle will reflect a DANCE-related song title! We have some lovely April SHOWERS Bingo cards that we'll bring out on the 11th, and we encourage you to come color your own SHOWERS of Blessings Bookmarks on the 13th! You can win Bingo Bucks to spend in our Mt. Carmel Store by being the first to cover four CLOUDS in a row on your CLOUD 9 game board on April 14. Don't miss our TWISTER Beanbag Toss, the hit movie TWISTER, or the opportunity to search for TWISTERS throughout the common spaces of our building at our STORM Chasers Scavenger Hunt! We'll laugh up a STORM as we try to clear a hula-hoop filled with balloons by tossing beanbags on the 18th. There is lots of fun in the forecast for April at Mt. Carmel Community!

## **Special Spring Guests**

This month we have a number of visiting guests who will share their time and talents with us! In honor of Earth Day, Ava from Hospice Home Care will help us with some **Plant Potting Projects** on the 20th. In celebration of our April "Dancing Up A Storm" theme, the **Benton Senior Steppers** will perform some dance selections for us on Friday, April 21. We'll enjoy a musical concert by **The Norris Couple** on Friday, April 28. They will be singing some of our favorite songs from the 1940s through today, along with a little jazz! Let's show our appreciation to these special guests by attending all three of these wonderful events.

### **Easter Celebrations**

We have filled the week before Easter with a variety of exciting Easter events! Starting on April 1, we'll begin the week with a **Golden Egg Hunt Contest**. Every day leading up to the Saturday before Easter, the Golden Egg will be hidden somewhere in the common areas of our building. The Easter Bunny will leave treats inside the Golden Egg for you to find and share with your friends! It will be "hidden" in plain sight — it's up to you to locate it! When you find the Golden Egg, please take it to the Front Desk so we can take your picture with your prize. On Tuesday, the 4th, after playing **Easter Chicks Bingo** in the morning at 10:00, we'll combine our April theme with an Easter Egg Toss in the afternoon. We'll be tossing candy-filled eggs into an upside-down umbrella, and each egg that lands inside the umbrella is yours to keep! Join us at Create & Craft on the 5th for a fun food craft where we'll make marshmallow 'Easter Peeps on a Stick' take-home treats. At our **Easter Ice Cream Social** on Thursday, the 6th, we'll have a variety of ice cream flavors, colored sugar cones, waffle cones, and lots of toppings so you can create your own frosty Easter treat! Don't miss our exciting **Easter Egg Dice Game** on Friday, April 7. We will pass around, trade, and collect Easter eggs with special surprises inside! We'll gather in the Theater on Easter Sunday at 1:00 for the classic movie **Easter Parade**, and enjoy some festive holiday snacks! At 3:00, join us as we celebrate our risen Savior at our **Easter Worship Service,** led by Kim Hammer.

# Our April Birthdays

### **Residents:**

April 1 • Al Stout

April 10 · Mary Byrd

April 10 • Virginia Nelson

April 11 • Jean Brown

April 11 • Marge Mauch

April 11 · Sally Toblesky

April 16 • Mary Izard

April 19 · Clariece Ross

April 25 · Mitch McDonald

April 27 • Sharon Nelson

April 30 · Gloria Phillips

April 30 · Margie Sullivan

#### Staff:

April 7 • Shilonda Alcorn

April 14 · Sherri Malott

April 16 · Malinda Baker

April 19 · Wesley Adams

April 20 • Felicia Allison

April 24 · Meagan Whitworth

April 24 · Jasmine Sims

April 25 · Jackie Collins

April 27 · Joe Musteen

April 30 · Catherine Wells