

# Twin Qaks Times

The latest news, updates & announcements
April 2024

Twin Oaks at Heritage Pointe Resident Birthdays

Betty Havens - 25



# Twin Oaks at Heritage Pointe Staff Birthdays

Sandy Ohrman, Admin. Assistant - 3

Justin Blattel, Administration - 4

Carmen Sutton, Nurse Aide - 7

Dave Westrich, Director of Maintenance - 8

Gene Berry, Security - 17

Mary Brodell, Housekeeping - 23



### Twin Oaks at Heritage Pointe Staff Anniversaries

Mary Brodell, Housekeeping | 9 yrs | April 1

Judith Jackman, Receptionist | 1 yrs | April 3

Jennifer Phillips, Charge Nurse | 6 yrs | April 10

Dean Deniston, Nurse Aide | 6 yrs | April 12

Linda Hawkins, Nurse Aide | 3 yrs | April 12

Stephanie Blattel, ADON | 10 yrs | April 23

Michelle Palmer, Dir. of Res. Serv. | 13 yrs | April 25

Felecia Boyd, Beautician | 15 yrs | April 26

Linda Heinze, Driver | 3 yrs | April 26

Ellen Morgan, Nurse Aide | 1 yr | April 28



### Twin Oaks at Heritage Pointe Leadership Team

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# Spring A LOVELY REMINDER OF HOW BEAUTIFUL CHANGE TRULY CAN BE!

### WHAT'S COOKING?

TWIN OAKS CHEF, JOHN RUGGERI

Chef John Ruggeri's culinary journey began at the tender age of 14 working at his family's restaurant on "The Hill" in St. Louis waiting on cab drivers in the back of the restaurant. He embraced every opportunity to learn and grow and his dedication and hard work did not go unnoticed, soon became known for his creativity in the kitchen and his ability to craft delicious and innovative dishes.

Ruggeri quickly was asked to run top restaurants you will know and remember around St. Louis - including Stan Musical's Restaurant, The Park Terrace Hilton, Belle Angeline's, Dominic's on The Hill, and Premio's, to name a few. He did this all while learning the ropes of the culinary world from seasoned chefs.

Under Ruggeri's leadership, several restaurants went on to earn the Distinguished Restaurant of North American Award (DiRoNa) not once, but twice.

After years of gaining experience in different culinary environments, Chef Ruggeri decided to take a leap of faith and follow his dream of opening his own restaurant. Chef Ruggeri opened and ran several successful and well known restaurants throughout the years including Ruggeri's (in Wentzville, Missouri) and Gio's (7th & Market in St. Louis).

We were grateful to have Chef Ruggeri join the Twin Oaks family five years ago where he serves as our Dietary Director. John says he loves making our residents happy with his delicious meals. "Cooking for them fulfils me and I feel blessed to use my God given talent each day in a new and exciting way." said Ruggeri. It has all come full circle as he now works with his daughter Allison in Twin Oaks kitchen each day.



Disney may be the happiest place on earth but Twin Oaks is definitely a close 2nd! Making our residents happy fulfills me and allows me to use my God given talents."

- Chef, John Ruggeri Dietary Director Twin Oaks at Heritage Pointe



#### **EVENTS**



#### April 4 | Cardinal's Opening Day

Play Ball! We will have a baseball theme menu with a few St. Louis favorites while we root for our home team!

#### April 8 | The Eclipse

We will have some "out of this world" trivia and galaxy themed menu. The St. Charles County Library has provided residents glasses to view the eclipse safely.

#### April 9 | "Senior" Prom - Hollywood Nights

This intercommunity event will get everyone on the "red carpet". Our residents will dance the night away to Scott Laytham & Karl Holmes.

April 18 | Our First Ever Spring Festival (details on page 2)



Our entire
April
activities &
special events
calendar
is attached.

# DON'T MISS OUR FIRST EVER Spring FESTIVA

In the spirit of new beginnings, we are hosting our first ever Spring Festival. This year's festival will incorporate some of favorite things from past festivals but introduce new and exciting experiences.

#### ALL RESIDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES ARE WELCOME!

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 18 | 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Twin Oaks at Heritage Pointe | 228 Savannah Terrace

#### FREE EVENTS:

- Musical Performance by The New Country Edition
- Inflatable Fun for Children 12 and Under
- · Spring Photo Booth for Family Photos
- Tours of Our New 55+ Community- Villas at Heritage Pointe

#### FOR PURCHASE:

- Meals from Participating Food Trucks: Haulin Eats LLC and Casa Tequila Food Truck
- Homemade Goods and Services from Participating Vendors

#### **Don't Miss Our Spring Festival Vendors!**

- Jo's Towel Crafts
- Hummingbird Glitter Glitches
- Baked Goods By Jenni Emge Boutique Bags By Becky
- Festive Functions
- Nightmare Before Cupcakes
- Turtle Cove Imaginings
- Creative Carrot Tree
- Lulu's

The Sassy Flamingo Crafting Co.





We had our annual Shamrock scavenger hunt and traditional St. Patrick's Day meal. We rounded out the day with entainment by our friend by Dave!









# HAPPY FASTER

Our residents worked up an appetite by participating in our Easter egg hunt. Prizes included free bingo cards, haircuts in our beauty salon and other Easter goodies. We had a delicious Easter feast that included Honey glazed ham, baked mac & cheese with bacon, green beans with almonds and of course, carrot cake! What Easter celebration wouldn't be complete

without a visit from the Easter Bunny!











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# NEW FACES AT TWIN OAKS!



Aiden Elmore , Dietary Aide

Matthew Johnston, Dietary Aide

Morgan Nute , Dietary Aide

Janice Mantle, Housekeeping

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