



Corwallis CARING PLACE

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NEWS FOR MARCH 2024

This month we are starting a Resident's Roundtable meeting to give residents a dedicated time to talk among themselves about issues they would like addressed. This is separate from the Hall Meetings.

Amber will take anonymous notes to pass along to Crystal so the topics can be addressed at the next Hall Meeting.



The first Roundtable will be March 5 at 3:30 in the Activity room.

The next stop on our world tour is Ireland! The itinerary includes:



- **Monday, March 4** - Sightseeing via video!
- **Tuesday, March 5** - A special Irish meal courtesy of CCP's chefs
- **Wednesday, March 5** - Make your own St. Brigid's Cross
- **Friday 3/7** - Bake Traditional Irish Scones

Reminder from the Kitchen !!

Don't forget that you have options if you're not interested in the daily entrees being offered. At the top of each weekly menu is a list of alternative meals from which residents can choose. Write the number — i.e. 4, for scrambled eggs — in the box next to the daily menu choices. Below is a sample of the options, and where to find the box to write in your choice.

1 Cottage Cheese & Fruit	4 Scrambled Eggs	7 Egg Salad Sandwich
2 Deli Sandwich	5 Grilled Cheese	8 Mac & Cheese
3 Tuna Salad Sandwich	6 PB & J	9 Vegetarian Baked Beans

CIRCLE YOUR CHOICES BELOW — **ADD AN ALTERNATE MENU ITEM IN THE BOX**

MON Pulled Pork on Bun
3/5 Chicken Casserole

Write your alternate menu choice here

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Have a green thumb?



It's not too late to request all or part of a garden bed! With Spring on its way, it's time to start planning what you want to grow—flowers, vegetables, fruits!

Please see Amber if you are interested.

Please do not put food scraps, bread, or other (human) food outside. These items are not good for animals and invite critters that we prefer stay away from the property.

Bird seed is provided and we are working on adding a few more bird feeders around the grounds.



In the Spotlight



On July 30, 1938 John Pyles was born in Bridgeport, Washington. John is the oldest of five children.

John and his family lived in Bridgeport for about ten years before moving to Vancouver, Washington for his father's new job. John's father became a second-grade teacher and a pastor of a Methodist church. John and his family stayed in Vancouver for 2 years before moving again.

After Vancouver, John and his family moved to the outskirts of Sweet Home, Oregon. John was excited to start playing basketball with his school, but sadly he did not make the team. That did not stop John from loving the game. He would practice making baskets for hours after school. After two years John's family moved again.

From Sweet Home, they moved to Harland, Oregon where he attended Eddyville High School for his Junior year and made the basketball team. However, they could never win a game. John had a love for basketball, so he quit the high school basketball team, and joined the church basketball team. This did not sit well with the high school kids. John would get oranges thrown at him while riding the bus. John's family moved yet again, this time to Sutherlin, Oregon. John attended Oakland High School for his senior year, where he was able to play on the basketball team and graduated in 1956.

After graduating from high school, John attended Portland State College while living in Vancouver, Washington with his grandmother. John made the second-string college basketball team, which is when he knew all his late-night practices paid off. John transferred to Monmouth Bible College and made the varsity basketball team. John graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Theology.

John met his wife Mary while attending college. The two wed on June 15, and over the years had four children (three girls and one boy) and 38 grandchildren. Sadly, Mary has passed on.

In 1957, John joined the Army reserves for eight years.

John enjoys all sports (mostly basketball!), going to his church men's group, and bible study.

John is an avid Scrabble player and you'll find him in the Activity Room for Scrabble throughout each month!



February Happenings

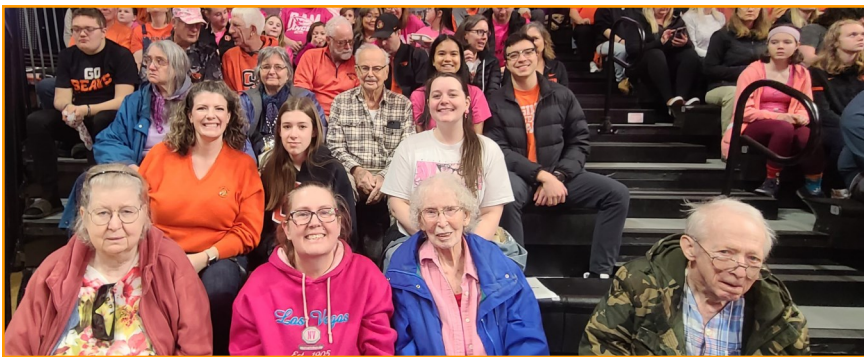


Left - Out for an afternoon of bowling

Right - Celebrating Mardi Gras



Below - OSU vs USC Women's Basketball Game



Above - Last month we "toured" France, crafted our own Eiffel Towers, baked French tarts and enjoyed a fabulous French meal made by Chef Ben.

Below - Creating bird seed feeders in a variety of shapes!

Below - Valentine's Day Party





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**Do you have spirit?
YES you do!**
Spirit Week is March 18 - 23

- Monday 3/18 - Green Madness!**
It's the Day to day to wear as much green as you can!
- Tuesday 3/19 –Twin Tuesday**
Find a friend and dress as twins!
- Wednesday 3/20 - Western Wednesday**
Dress in your Western wear!
- Thursday 3/21 - Tired Thursday**
Wear your Pajamas today!
- Friday 3/22 - Flash Back Friday**
Dress for your favorite decade!
- Saturday 3/23 - Sunny Saturday**
Dress in your Tropical Wear!

Feeling lucky? CCP has an outing planning for March 21 to Spirit Mountain Casino in Grand Ronde. Residents will be able to choose from a number of restaurants for lunch and do not have to stay together as a group — so be prepared to pay for your lunch. The bus will leave at 10:15 that morning and will return around 4 p.m. Please see Amber if you have questions, and be sure to sign up in the Outings Notebook if you want to go.

March Birthdays

Residents

- Sue March 15
- Patricia March 19
- Doris March 20
- Mike March 24
- Francis March 31

Staff

- Olivia March 23

Your Leadership Team

- Crystal Well — Executive Director
- Linda Ward — Business Office Director
- Jacqueline Dillon, RN — Health Services Director
- Katelyn Fuqua — Resident Care Coordinator
- Amber Zurcher — Life Enrichment Director
- Brian Turner — Dining Services Director
- Greg Attrell — Facilities Director

Thank you for sharing your home with us!

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Corvallis Caring Place (CCP), a non-profit assisted living facility that opened its doors in 2002, accepts both Medicaid-qualified and private-pay residents. CCP is overseen by a volunteer board of directors and contracts with Hearth & Truss for management services. Residents meet monthly to express ideas and provide feedback to assure quality services.