

## WHAT'S COMING UP

**April 1st**

April Fools' Day

**April 2nd**

Autism Awareness Day

**April 3rd**

National Walking Day

**April 5th**

National Self Care Day

**April 8th**

National Zoo Lovers Day

**April 18th**

National Exercise Day

**April 22nd**

Earth Day

Passover Begins

**April 23rd**

National Picnic Day

**April 27th**

National Tell a Story Day



## APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER



*Riverwood*  
Senior Living

### ***Hello Residents and Families,***

Warm days, sunshine and blooming flowers can mean only one thing: Spring is in the air! Riverwood is ready to embrace the weather with a plethora of activities planned for residents and families. Be sure to check the activity calendar for all the events scheduled in April.

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you and congratulations to the staff and everyone who contributed to making the community great in 2023. Regency Senior Living recognized Riverwood Senior Living as the Community of the Year for 2023 at the annual meeting in March of this year. Thank you to each resident and family for believing in Riverwood and entrusting us with the care of your loved ones. Everyone is invited to a "Community of the Year" celebration on April 16, 2024, from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Lunch will be served and we hope you can join us for the festivities.

Don't forget about our "Friends Make the Best Neighbors" promotion. Invite your friends to move into our community, and receive a free month or a check for \$2500.00 for each referral who becomes a member of our family.

As the new Executive Director, I've thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the residents and families over the past few months. Remember, my door is always open for concerns, suggestions, or just to say hello. Please stop by to see me anytime.

***Jeanine Brooks,***  
*Executive Director*

### ***Friends Make the Best Neighbors***

Would you like a free\* month at Riverwood? Don't forget about our "Friends Make the Best Neighbors" promotion! Invite your friends to move into our community and receive a free month or a check for \$2,500 for each referral who becomes a resident. \*Referring residents will be paid out 60 days from the move-in date.



### Shorter University Chorale

Shorter University Chorale surprised us with a visit and a performance. They are phenomenal. The residents loved getting to know the students.



### National Cereal Day at Riverwood

Our residents had a ball tasting different types of cereals and guessing which brand was which. They did a great job! They know their favorite cereals.





## Celebration with Tapestry Hospice

We had a wonderful time playing bingo and having great refreshments with Tapestry. The residents were excited about the prizes!



## St. Patrick's Day Party

We had a great time celebrating Irish culture on St. Patrick's Day!





## Trip to Calhoun Outlet Mall

April 4th from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm

Join us for shopping and lunch at Calhoun Outlet Mall. Our residents love to find deals! We are excited to go and hope you join us.



## Wellness Checks for National Self Care Day

April 5th at 9:00 am

Trina Robbins from CenterWell will sponsor wellness checks for our residents on National Self Care Day.



## Tour of Shorter University

April 11th at 10:30 am

We will tour Shorter University and have lunch on campus. Go Hawks!





## National Exercise Day

April 18th at 10:00 am

Our residents are going to Jazercise the day away! Imelda Vann with Georgia Hospice Care will sponsor the event.



## Meet a K-9 Deputy

April 24th at 10:00 am

Deputy Williams will show us Doc, the K-9 Deputy, and all his special talents. Doc is a valuable asset to the Sheriff's Department. Come join us!



## Family Day at Riverwood

April 23rd at 12:00 pm

There will be a delightful lunch on the lawn, a cake walk and watermelon to share with friends & family! Please mark your calendars and come join in the festivities.



## Tour of Savoy Museum

April 30th at 10:30 am

We will take a trip to the Savoy Museum in Cartersville, GA.





## Jackie Fisher

Ms. Jackie Fisher joined Riverwood on December 29, 2023. Originally from Sun City Center, Florida, a senior retirement community south of Tampa, she embarked on her career in St. Louis, teaching second grade in the public school system while her husband completed his studies at the seminary. After raising their four children and pursuing her own education, she served as a school counselor for the Henry School District in South Dakota for three years before returning to Missouri.

Ms. Fisher then worked at the Crider Center for Mental Health under a contract with the State Department of Social Services, providing therapy for a new program they wanted to implement. She later transitioned back to the school system as a

psychological examiner in the special services department at the Francis Howell School District in St. Charles, Missouri. She finds joy in witnessing her students' progress and development.

Ms. Fisher is blessed with seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. In her leisure time, she enjoys indulging in hobbies such as painting, writing, quilting, and traveling.

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS! 🏠

Doris Sammons  
Jerry Clements

# Happy Birthday

### Resident

Bob Stewart Apr. 7th  
Dorothy Kitchen Apr. 30th

### Employee

Kendra Tate Apr. 8th  
Jada Talley Apr. 9th  
Tina Corley Apr. 19th  
Shereka Hayes Apr. 21st

## FUN FACTS

- » We know April is the fourth month of the year, but that's only by the Gregorian calendar that we adhere to now. It was previously the fifth month in the earlier Julian calendar.
- » April also only had 29 days, but a 30th day was added when Julius Caesar established the Julian calendar.
- » In the Southern Hemisphere, April is the seasonal equivalent of October.
- » The etymology behind the word "April" comes from the verb "aperire," which means "to open." It's commonly believed that the word refers to the season when trees and flowers begin to "open" or bloom.
- » Those who were born in April have a diamond as their birthstone, which represents innocence. Their birth flower is either a Daisy or a Sweet Pea.
- » There are two zodiac signs in April. Aries, which is until April 19th, and Taurus, which is April 20th and onwards.
- » There are quite a few notable historical people born in April, such as Leonardo da Vinci, Shakespeare, and Queen Elizabeth II.
- » On April 14, 1912, the famous Titanic ship hit an iceberg and sank on her first and only voyage.
- » George Washington was inaugurated as the First President of the United States on April 30, 1789.
- » Back in the time of the Ancient Romans, April was sacred to the goddess Venus.



WORD FIND

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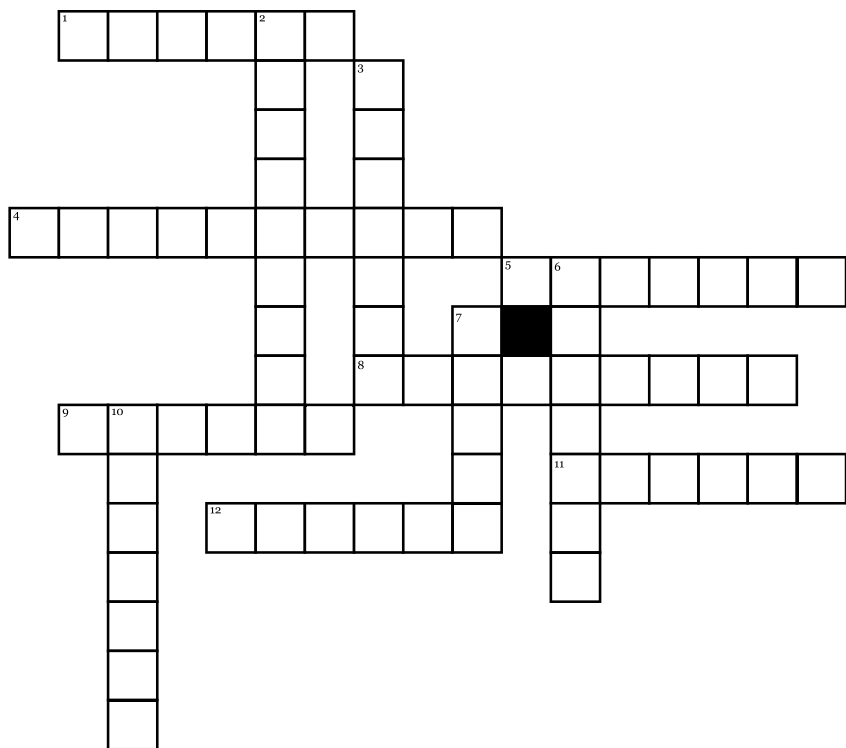
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 CANTERBURY

CROSSWORD



Down

- 2. Battle of \_\_\_\_\_ and Concord
- 3. Ford muscle car
- 6. "Houston we've had a \_\_\_\_\_ here"
- 7. Romans goddess
- 10. Ship that hit an iceberg

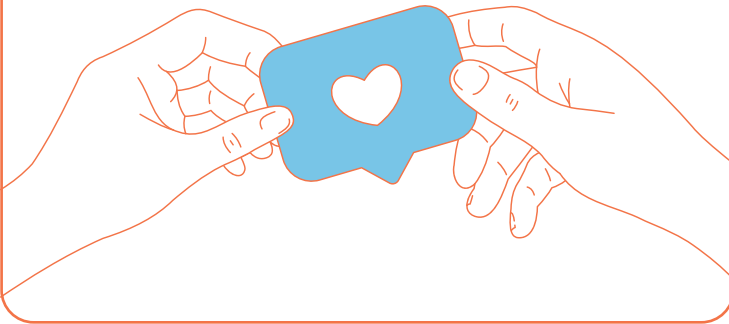
Across

- 1. NASA space program
- 4. First President of the United States
- 5. April in Latin
- 8. Roman calendar
- 9. Olympic city
- 11. April meteor shower
- 12. Roman Emperor \_\_\_\_\_ Caesar

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## Join Our Facebook Group

Are you on Facebook? Join our exclusive Friends and Family Group for a fun glimpse into what's happening in our community.



## EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

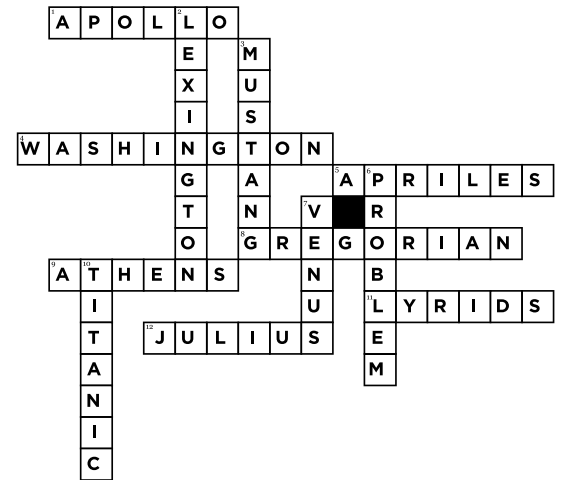
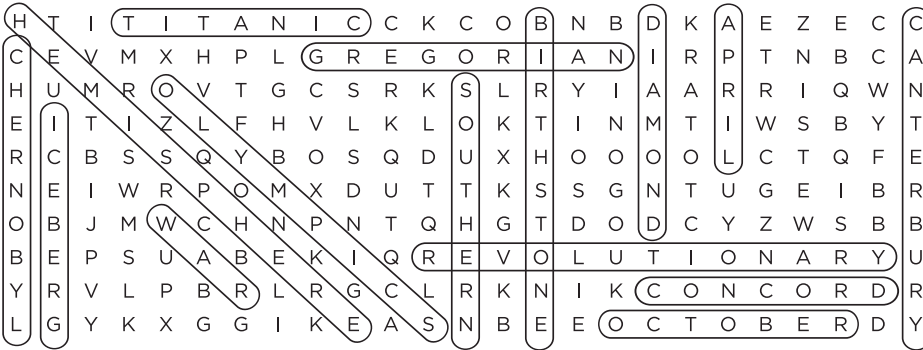
### Sabrina Hennon



Congratulations to Sabrina Hennon for being chosen as our Employee of the Month for April. A family member of one of our residents nominated Ms. Hennon for Employee of the Month. They stated that her involvement in caring for

her father has been exemplary. She engages him to respond in conversation, getting out and involved in the community. Thank you for all you do for our residents and community. You are an asset to our community!

## ANSWER KEY



## CONNECT WITH US

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### Riverwood's mission is to

- Serve** our residents and families while
- Engaging** in relationships
- Respecting** individuality and
- Valuing** the contributions of those who
- Evolve** our care every day