

## March Brings St. Patrick's Celebrations

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March came in like a lion and wasn't sure it wanted to give in to the lamb as it faded into April. Our March memorial service was extra special as we had John Hibberd here to play Amazing Grace on the bagpipes to end the ceremony. John then played and explained the history of the bagpipes and how to play. Mary Link, a Merry Maker Performer brought to us by Dreamweaver Foundation, entertained for the St. Patrick's day festivities, which was a two-day affair. Bo from Norris Gold's family along with a friend made and brought goodies for the residents including dips, breads, crackers and green beer on St. Patrick's Day. A giant great big huge thank you to Bo and the Gold family. We had some treats including three-layer Jello shots featuring Jamison, a chocolate liqueur and watermelon vodka all layered into one cup that was to look like the flag of Ireland. Johnny Ray Gomez was back to entertain with his whimsical squeezebox accordion. He brought back memories— for many it was dancing at the Jansen Steakhouse.



Some residents visited Fairbury High School to watch the student knock the musical out of the park. The cast and crew did a fantastic job presenting "The Hunchback of Notre Dame." Those who attended really enjoyed the show. Residents colored Easter Eggs on March 30, and did an Easter egg hunt for the preschool classes on Tuesday, March 31. Social hour has been a hit, especially when it is a tailgate for the Huskers. We were excited that our Husker Men's Basketball team made it to the Sweet 16 for the first time in program history. We were sad to see the loss to Iowa, but were proud of our team for making it that far in the tournament. We had lots more activities in March—Bingo, movie nights, ladder ball, balloon tennis with more balloons, toilet paper races, and even some new games we don't have names for yet. We love games that get everyone laughing. We also celebrated Oreo day and enjoyed Show and Tell. The birthday party this month featured cake and ice cream. Birthdays this month were Vivian Belding, Donald Richardson and Idonna Gaston.

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## Planning to Join us for Easter Dinner?

*Families are welcome to join their loved ones for Easter dinner at Gardenside. Please let the nursing staff know as soon as possible, so we can make appropriate arrangements for seating and food. Please note that holiday meals are \$10 each. Noon meals will be picked up and paid for by the family in the cafeteria. Evening meals will be delivered to Gardenside by the kitchen.*

## Celebrating Social Services Month



*We celebrated Social Services Month in March with Amanda Lewis, social services coordinator, and Krystal Ward, social services designee.*

## **Admissions**

- Joyce Holes, March 10

## **Birthdays**

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## **Deaths**

Gardenside was saddened by the deaths of 1 resident in the past month. Our sympathy is with the families of:

- Barb Hanlin, March 5

## **Our Team to Serve You**

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## **Most recent state survey:**

**In a folder on east side of the wall by the Activity Room.**

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## Dining Room Updated

Thank you again for your patience with many facility updates that we have done in the last year. The last piece of this project has been painting and installing new flooring in the dining room. It has been a little longer process than we had hoped—but we are nearing completion! Thank you to the residents for being patient as we shuffled some schedules to get this accomplished!

## Thank you

Thank you to Brian “Bo” Dowling for St. Patrick’s Day treats for our residents and visitors, and for donating to help us bring Bagpiper John Hibberd. We appreciate the extra efforts that family members and friends make to help us offer fun and entertaining activities for everyone!

Results of the most recent state survey are available on the east side of the wall by the Activity Room.

Nurse staffing hours are posted west of the nurses station.

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Menus go here

**If you would like to join us for a meal, please let us know a few days in advance by calling 402-729-6849 so we can plan for food and space. Regular meals are \$5 (tax included) and holiday meals are \$10 (tax included.) You will pick up meals and pay for them in the JCH&L cafeteria.**

## Balloon Tennis



Balloon tennis got more challenging this month as we added more than one balloon at a time. There was lots of laughter and many smiles as we tried to keep the balloons all in the air!

# Food is part of many activities



# What are Toilet Paper Races?



# Show and Tell



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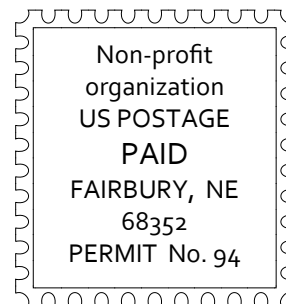
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## Happy Birthdays

