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Celebrating March

**Irish-American Heritage
Month**

Optimism Month

Mardi Gras
March 5

International Women's Day
March 8

St. Patrick's Day
March 17

Welcome New Residents

Wade Cox

In Loving Memory

Anne Dykema

Grace Robinson

Rosemary Healey

Rebecca's Rambles

This place is a frenzy of activity. The last minute adjustments are being made, blinds are hung and the final decorative accents are being placed. Parkhaven's new addition is ready for its new residents. It's hard to believe that it has finally happened but it's true. I want to say a special "Thank You" to the residents and staff for their patience in this journey.

We are excited to be able to provide a place for our memory care residents which will better address their needs. Reflection's at Parkhaven is equipped to give very individualized care to nine residents who are in need of more specialized care. Additional units are also available in our assisted living facility along with a much needed conference room, additional hobby room space and an atrium.

Spring is almost here and we finally have winter. I don't think anyone is too excited about that, but this is Montana. Hopefully this means our fire season will not be so bad.

March has one of my favorite activities of the year. We celebrate the promise of spring with High Tea. It makes my heart sing to see our lovely ladies dressed up and in their beautiful hats. I love all the pretty little sandwiches and treats. Don't forget to put your pinkie out as you drink you tea.

We don't ignore our gentlemen. They get to go out for pie and coffee.

There has been some beautiful art work coming from our hobby room. Who knew we were rubbing elbows with such talent. I am looking forward to creating a showing of these beautiful paintings.

Feel free to stop by, visit old friends and ask for a tour of the addition.

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Resident of the Month

Harold Lasater

Harold was born on April 20, 1926. He was born at a hospital in Camp Crook, So. Dakota.

Raised on a little starvation ranch about 15 minutes from So. Dakota but on the Montana side. He attended a country school all through grade school, moving to Ekalaka, MT in 1939 where he went to high school. Harold graduated at the age of 16 and as soon as he became an adult at 18 he joined the Navy.

After the war, Harold came home and married his sweetheart in 1948. Together they raised 4 children, 3 girls and a boy.

In the fall of 1948, Harold went to Kellog Idaho and got a job in the hard rock mines. He moved to Lead So. Dakota around 1952 and worked in the gold mines.

About 1955 Harold moved to this valley, landing in Logan and has been here for 40 years. During this time in 1979 he moved to Forsythe and went to work in the coal mines in Colstrip. After his wife passed away in the Spring of 1980 Harold found love again a year later and re-married.

After retiring in 1988 Harold drove all over the country to Key West, Florida to Fairbanks, Alaska. He took his wife to Hawaii and enjoyed a very nice retirement.



Grammar Rules

The Society for the Promotion of Good Grammar has declared March 4 as Grammar Day. English is often said to be the hardest language to learn, and English grammar is even difficult for native speakers. Why is it so difficult? The order of words, pronunciations, homophones, synonyms, idioms—all of these are confusing! As language evolves, more and more grammar rules are being ignored. It is considered okay to begin a sentence with *And* or *But*, just as it is acceptable to end a sentence with a preposition. You can also split as many infinitives as you want! There are some rules, however, that are not as flexible. Double negatives are still a no-no. Also, *alot* is still not a word. You can write *a lot* when you mean “many,” or *alot* when you’re assigning a share or portion. With well over a million words in the English language, you are likely to find something to celebrate today.

Resident of the Month continued...

Harold said, “My health has held up well. Have had some hard knocks during my life but many great blessings. I think my greatest blessing is my faith in Jesus Christ. I thank him every day.”

Opening in March 2019
the new addition to
Parkhaven Assisted Living
& our new Memory Care
Community. Stop in and
check us out!!



Girls Guiding Girls

The Girl Scouts is one of the largest and most successful organizations for girls in the world. Juliette Gordon Low, finding inspiration from the Girl Guide movement in England, established the first Girl Guide Troop in America on March 12, 1912. For this reason, the week of March 10–16 is celebrated as Girl Scout Week.



Born in Savannah, Georgia, just before the American Civil War, Gordon Low was raised with traditional Southern values emphasizing duty, loyalty, and respect. Gordon Low was also an American aristocrat born to successful parents. As such, she

attended boarding schools, met many influential people, married well, and moved to England. Gordon Low's marriage was not a happy one, however, and she spent much time alone painting, learning metalworking and woodworking, and doing charity work. After her husband died, she met Sir Robert Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scouts, a guide movement for boys that taught the skills of military preparedness and outdoor adventuring. Scouting proved to be the perfect unity of values that she had enjoyed all her life: duty and respect combined with practical skills for survival. It was not long before Gordon Low met Agnes Baden-Powell, Sir Robert's sister and founder of the Girl Guides, and so Gordon Low organized Girl Guide troops in London herself.

Gordon Low returned to her beloved Savannah in March of 1912 with the mission to grow the girl scouting movement in America. On March 12, she registered 18 girls, establishing the very first Girl Guide troop. Thanks to her family's extensive social connections and the help of Sir Baden-Powell, Low was able to quickly grow her local troop into a nationwide movement. She faced one competitor, the Camp Fire Girls, but this organization believed that girls should not participate in strenuous outdoor activities meant for boys. Gordon Low held fast to her love of scouting, and for over 100 years, the Girl Scouts have given young girls the confidence, skills, and character to become the leaders of tomorrow.

Heist of the Century

On March 18, 1990, over \$500 million worth of artwork was stolen from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston, Massachusetts. In the early morning hours, guards admitted two men dressed as police officers into the museum. These clever thieves quickly tied up the guards and spent the next hour stealing some of the museum's most valuable art. They stole works by Vermeer, Rembrandt, Degas, Manet, and Flinck. The FBI launched an investigation and, despite following leads all around the world, neither the thieves nor the artwork have ever been recovered. The heist remains the largest robbery of private property in history. Investigators do have their theories about the thieves. It is thought that they were part of an organized crime group from New England and the mid-Atlantic. The stolen paintings likely moved through Connecticut to Philadelphia, where they were illegally sold. Gangster Bobby Donati, an associate of known art thief Myles J. Connor Jr., may have led the robbery under the orders of Boston crime boss Vincent Ferrara. With no admissions or further evidence, there is still hope at the museum. Empty frames still hang on the walls, so visitors can see where the paintings once hung and may hang again.

The Birth of Rock 'n' Roll



The very first rock 'n' roll concert was staged on March 21, 1952, in Cleveland, Ohio. It was called the Moondog Coronation Ball and featured guitarist Tiny Tim and His Rocking Highlanders, saxophonist Paul Williams and His Hucklebuckers, Billy Ward and His Dominoes, singer Varetta Dillard, and Danny Cobb. The concert was the idea of local radio DJ Alan Freed, the same man who popularized the phrase *rock 'n' roll*. On the night of the show, 20,000 people showed up with tickets, but the venue held only half the number. Tickets had been counterfeited. Afraid of a riot, the fire department stopped the concert after only one performance.

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The March of Women's History



The month of March is Women's History Month, in recognition of women and their impact on culture and society all around the world. The movement to establish recognition of women's history

began in Sonoma, California, in the 1970s. A group of women formed the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women. Their goal was to include women's history in the local school curriculum. For too long, men had dominated the study while women's contributions had nary a mention. The movement in Sonoma was such a success that it gained traction nationwide. In 1980, President Jimmy Carter established the first Women's History Week, and then in 1987, Congress declared the entire month of March as Women's History Month. Politicians, writers, freedom fighters, scientists, soldiers, athletes—women have made contributions in virtually every field. Honor them this March.

Resident & Staff March Birthdays

In astrology, those born March 1–20 are the slippery Fish of Pisces. Selfless Pisces are very wise and empathetic, making them always willing to help others. These deep emotions also make Pisces talented artists and good friends. Those born March 21–31 are Rams of Aries. Like rams, Aries charge forward with courage, confidence, and enthusiasm. They embrace action, take risks, and will fight for their goals.

Sue L: 3/12

Janette: 3/14

Jennifer L: 3/14

Margaret: 3/17

Don T: 3/18

Patricia: 3/30

Betty: 3/31

Happy Birthday!!!