

Join our new crochet club taught by Angie Hall



Everyone enjoyed planting the flowers donated by Dignity Hospice



Monica	(Staff)	April 1
Alessandra	(Staff)	April 9
Shelby	(Staff)	April 10
Barbara	(Staff)	April 21
Kathleen	(Resident)	April 26
Marvin Gaye (singer) – April 2, 1939		
Eddie Murphy (comedian) – April 3, 1961		
Sterling K. Brown (actor) – April 5, 1976		
Jackie Chan (actor) – April 7, 1954		
Al Green (singer) – April 13, 1946		
Julie Christie (actress) – April 14, 1940		
Charlotte Brontë (writer) – April 21, 1816		
Barbra Streisand (entertainer) – April 24, 1942		
Ella Fitzgerald (singer) – April 25, 1917		
Willie Nelson (musician) – April 29, 1933		

Join us for bingo each Wednesday and Saturday



THREE FORKS TRIBUNE

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Three Forks Team

Emily Whitson
Executive Director

Corie Ford Gonzales
Resident Care Director

Tony Jackson
Clinical Director

Alex Davis
Community Relations Director

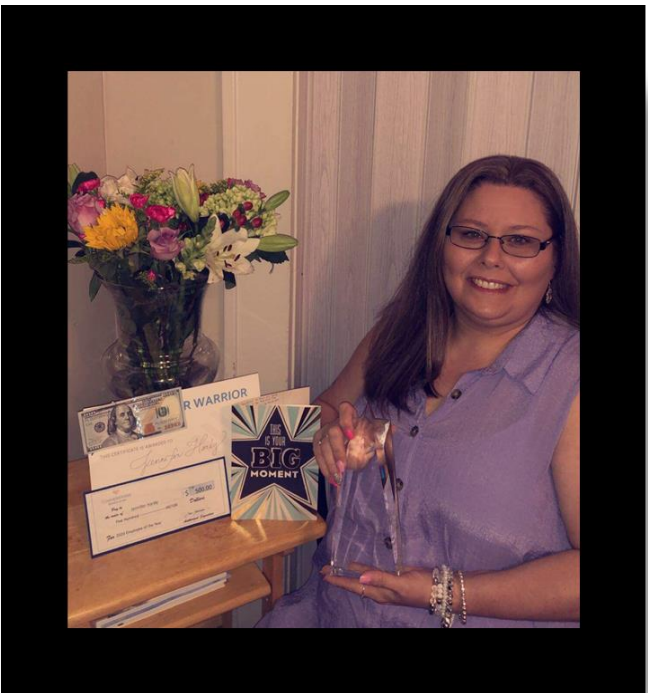
Shelby Mathis
Business Office Manager

Bill Lawson
Maintenance Director

Angela Tyler
Life Enrichment Director



Employee of the Year for 2020



Congratulations to Jennifer Hardy for being the Employee of the Year for 2020. Jennifer has been at Three Forks of Forney for 3 ½ years. She is a resident assistant for our assisted living community. She says she enjoys learning about each resident and her co-workers. Jennifer was born in Dallas, and currently lives in Seagoville. She is a proud mom to two daughters named Shelby and Amber and one son named Tyler. She has two dogs, Addie and Zoie. In her free time she delights in spending time surrounded by her family. Jennifer exemplifies our core four values of determination, excellence, empathy, and innovation! **Way to Go Jennifer~**





Fun Facts for April

- *The April gemstone is the diamond
- *The April flower is the Sweet Pea
- *The name "April" is thought to come from the Latin word "aperire" which means "to open" signifying the beginning of Spring
- *The arrival of the Cuckoo bird signifies that Spring is here – the bird will sing from approximately April 14th – April 24th every year
- *The first Sunday of April was formerly known as "Daffodil Sunday" because in Victorian times, people would pick daffodils from their gardens to take to the sick in hospitals
- *Famous fairy tale author Hans Christian Anderson was born on April 2nd
- *Queen Elizabeth II was born on April 21st



The Almighty Dollar



The U.S. dollar is one of the strongest and most traded currencies on the planet, and its symbol \$ is instantly recognizable. It was invented by accident by Oliver Pollack on April 1, 1778. Pollack was an Irish merchant living in New Orleans when the Revolutionary War began. War was expensive. As a British colony in revolt, America could not use British currency, so the Spanish peso became the preferred method of payment. Luckily for Pollack, he had built his fortune in Spanish pesos through illegal trading in the Spanish Caribbean. Pollock lent the Americans 300,000 Spanish pesos, equivalent to one billion of today's dollars, and kept detailed records of his transactions. In a ledger dated April 1, 1778, Pollack scribbled "ps," short for Spanish peso, in a way that looked like the dollar sign \$. In 1797, founding father Robert Morris adopted the strange symbol for America's new currency.



EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH CHARLENE SMITH

Congratulations Charlene for being employee of the month for April. Charlene has been at Three Forks for six years working as a resident assistant. She was born and raised in Wabasha, Minnesota. She currently resides in Palmer, Texas. She has one 25 year old son. She has one fur babies named Dave. Her hobbies are hiking and working on jigsaw puzzles. Charlene says that she enjoys working at Three Forks, and especially enjoys getting to know the residents and having fun working along with her coworkers.



Three Forks Retro Day



On April 22, 1970, Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin was so concerned about the deteriorating natural landscape of the United States that he organized the first Earth Day, a day of teach-ins on college campuses to raise awareness of air and water pollution. America's passionate response to Earth Day surprised Nelson. Millions of Americans, regardless of political affiliation, race, or creed, banded together to support protecting the environment. By the end of 1970, President Nixon had created the Environmental Protection Agency, and shortly thereafter Congress passed the Clean Air Act and Clean Water Act. It's been over 50 years since that first Earth Day, and environmental action has never seemed more urgent. While it is up to major corporations to reduce their carbon footprints, individuals can still do their part by eating more plant-based foods, buying less, composting, and supporting local businesses.



James Dewar started working at Illinois' Continental Baking Company in the 1920s as a delivery boy, hawking pastries from a horse-drawn cart. By 1930, he had risen to plant manager, and on April 6 of that year, he created the most famous snack cake the world has ever known, the Twinkie. Before the cakes were called Twinkies, they were Little Shortcake Fingers, pre-packaged strawberry-filled shortcakes that were available only during the short strawberry-harvest season. The idle factory equipment drove Dewar to invent a new, still nameless, yellow sponge cake filled with banana crème. While on his way to a marketing meeting, Dewar passed a billboard advertising Twinkle Toe Shoes. He had found the Twinkies name, and the rest is snack cake history. **Join us for a Twinkie on April 6.**