

# The Manorette

## February 2024



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Muffy Forney-Books for the library

We would like to thank everyone who donates their time to entertain, visit, preach and help with activities. It is so greatly appreciated!

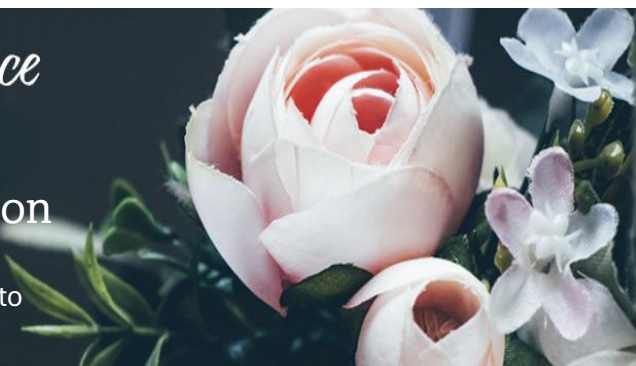
We would really encourage the community to get involved with our residents -they are awesome!



### *In Remembrance*

Lois Ford  
Dennis Pemberton

It was an honor and privilege to know, love and care for them.





# The Magic of Mardi Gras

February 13



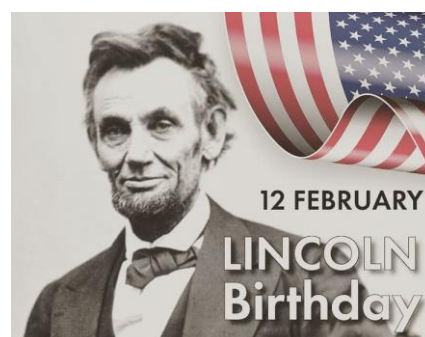
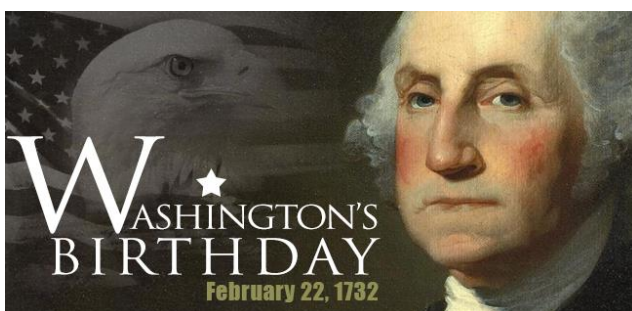
Mardi Gras, the vibrant and exhilarating Carnival season celebrated in various parts of the world, is a spectacle of merriment, color, and culture. It typically involves parades, masquerade balls, and the donning of elaborate costumes, offering a unique blend of tradition and modern revelry. Each year, it is a time for people to indulge in festivities and enjoy the spirit of community. In 2024, the celebration begins on January 6. It leads up to Fat Tuesday on February 13—the culmination of the Carnival season.

In 2024, Mardi Gras promises to be an exceptional experience. While the details of the celebrations vary from place to place, grand parades with intricate floats, live music, and colorful Mardi Gras beads are common features. The heart of Mardi Gras lies in its diverse cultural influences, blending elements of French, Spanish, African, and Creole heritage, which contribute to the rich tapestry of this celebration.

A tasty aspect of Mardi Gras is the king cake, a traditional pastry with a hidden figurine or token inside that brings good luck to the person who discovers it. Vivid, intricate masks and costumes add to the visual spectacle of Mardi Gras, as participants embrace anonymity and the freedom to be anyone they choose for a day.

Whether you're in New Orleans, Rio de Janeiro, or any of the other cities that celebrate Mardi Gras, the joyous atmosphere and sense of unity are universal. Partygoers let loose, enjoy the parades, savor delicious cuisine, and partake in a global festival of life and culture.

But Mardi Gras is more than just a party; it's a colorful expression of tradition, diversity, and the indomitable human spirit. Mark your calendars for Mardi Gras 2024 and prepare to join the revelry!







### Something to Think About

*Who, or what, is the greatest love of your life?*

### Love Jokes

I must be a snowflake because I fell for you.

Did you hear about the near-sighted porcupine? He fell in love with a pincushion.

A couple is on a date at an expensive restaurant. The woman tells the man to tell her something that will get her heart racing. He says, "I forgot my wallet."

I'm no photographer but I can picture us together.

If I could rearrange the alphabet, I would put U and I together.

Are you a banana? Because I find you a-peeling.

I know this is going to sound cheesy, but I think you are the grate-est.

How did the telephone propose to its partner? It gave her a ring.

My new girlfriend works at the zoo. I think she's a keeper.

What's the difference between love and marriage? Love is blind. Marriage is an eye-opener.

Never laugh at your wife's choices. You're one of them.

Why shouldn't you fall in love with a pastry chef? Because they will dessert you.

What do you call two birds in love? Tweet-hearts!

What did one boat say to the other? Are you up for a little row-mance?



# January Birthdays



## Activities News

January flew by and now we are heading into February. We had several birthdays in January, and it is always fun to celebrate the residents and of course the cake and ice cream! We had few new activities this month such as stories with Karen Runkle- she is a wonderful storyteller, and she will be coming back to tell us more! We started a book club with Julie Rasmussen, and we are hoping to get a drum circle going soon.

We had Andrea Marcy come and present a program called Memory Café- we sang Polka Songs and reminisced about Lawrence Welk. Andrea presents Memory Cafes in Northern Colorado and is now offering them for this area also, and so we took the opportunity to give them a try.

As always, we have wonderful music from our dedicated performers, and we are so grateful that they take time out of their busy lives to come sing for us. We have also been blessed with a new activities person who is very musically talented, and we are excited to see all that she will bring to the residents- Jolana Varga.

If you have a talent, a hobby or just something you would like to share with the residents we encourage you to get in touch with the activities department- the residents really enjoy the programs.

Thank you from the Activities Team:

Danelle Horton

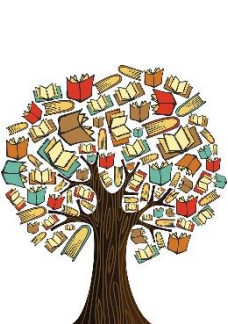
Char Pudelko

Teri Hunzeker

Jolana Varga







# Searching for February

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AMETHYST

LOVE

SUPER BOWL

AQUARIUS

MARDI GRAS

SWEETS

BLACK HISTORY

PISCES

VALENTINE'S (Day)

CARNIVAL

PRESIDENTS' (Day)

VIOLET

CHINESE (New Year)

SHADOW

WEATHER

GROUNDHOG (Day)

SNOW MOON

WINTER