



May is a great month for outdoor activities with warmer weather upon us. We will get out in the courtyard more to get some fresh air and hope to have some animals visit.

M-Master grillers, Jerry and Kim Grattop, from Smokin G's restaurant will bring us some delicious BBQ samples

A-Accordions, pianos, guitars, oh my. We will have a lot of great musicians, so bring your dancin' shoes. Y-Yo yo, yarn, and yodling. We will have a wide variety of entertainment from a magic show to a knitting class.

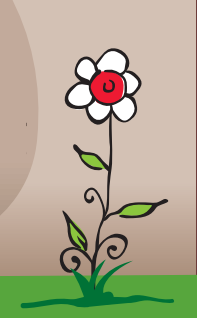
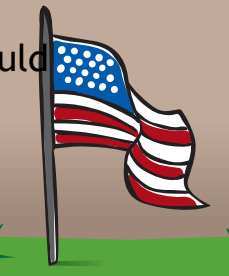


May is national BBQ month. The word BBQ derives from the Spanish word barbacoa, a wooden frame to cook meat over a fire pit. Grilling out is the #1 summer leisure activity. We will make our own Bickford BBQ sauce and shish kabobs on the 20th

We will also be learning about healthy eating and celebrating national salad month. We will take a trip to the HyVee salad bar on the 6th. An "eggcellent" salad should include protein, color, and texture.

We're also celebrating eggs this month. Eggs are powerhouse of nutritional goodness full of vitamins and protein. Also on the 20th we will take a trip to see some chickens and get some fresh farm eggs.

We will also celebrate the food and dance, Salsa. The food, salsa, originated in the 1500s in the Aztec, Mayan, and Incan civilizations. Chips and salsa is the official snack of Texas. What do you think the official snack of Bickford should be?



We will be enjoying strawberries this month also. Eventhough we won't be able to take a trip to Hinegardners Orchard to pick strawberries until the beginning of June, we will be making stawberry short cakes on the 17th and doing a stawberry craft on the 27th. Did you know that the strawberry is
*the first fruit to ripen in the Spring
*the only fruit with seeds on the outside
*a member of the rose family
*believed to bring peace and prosperity
*helpful in reducing the risk of cancer



On Sunday May 7th at 11:00, we will have salsa dancing with Shevaun and Jarod Banes and salsa taste testing.

We will take a trip to the Arco Iris bakery on May 5th to celebrate Cinco de Mayo.

We will make May Day baskets on Monday May 1st if you'd like to join us.



Happy Birthday to
 Rick Stevens May 5
 Stella Storjohann May 21

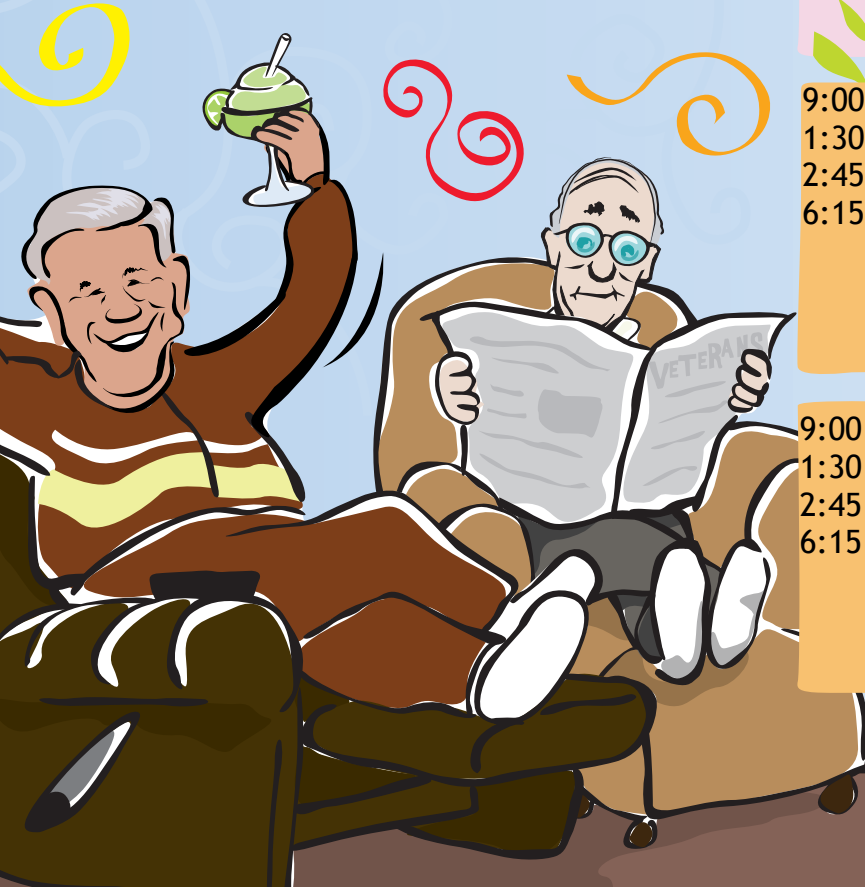
Help us celebrate with cake and ice-cream on Thursday May 25th at 2:00

Happy May! April showers bring May flowers. Bring on the daffodils!
 "Be like a flower and turn your face to the sun." Kahlil Gibran

Also feel free to join us on Friday May 5th for the Mexican holiday, El cinco de mayo, to celebrate their victory over the French at the battle in Puebla May 5th 1862. We will have some Mexican treats from our favorite local restaurant, El Portal.

Bianca will lead a social time at 2:00 the first Thursday of every month starting May 4th.

Family Night is the third Thursday of each month at 6:30.



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| <p>9:00 Worship 11:00 Salsa dancing with the Banes and salsa taste testing 1:30 Simon Says 2:45 Movie 6:15 Chapel 7</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 9:45 Music-Steve C 10:45 Bible study 1:00 Play cards 2:00 Music-Muffy 3:00 Our Daily Bread and Stampin Up 8</p> | <p>9:00 Hang man 10:00 Ben of YMCA Card BINGO 11:00 How many words 1:00 Cooking 2:30 Bible Study 9</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10:00 Sand fun 10:30 Music-Denny P 1:00 Crafts 2:00 BINGO 3:00 Smokin G's BBQ 3:30 Music-Keith L 10</p> | <p>9:00 You Be the Judge 10:00 Make popsicle 11:00 Love a tree 1:00 Frog jumping 2:00 BINGO 3:00 Walking Club 11</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10:30 Music-Mike L 1:00 Animal visit 2:00 BINGO 3:00 Photography 3:30 Scrapbooking 7:00 Mens Club 12</p> | <p>10:00 Exercise video 7:00 Lawrence Welk 13</p> |
| <p>Happy Mother's Day 9:00 Worship 1:30 Mother's Day tea party 2:45 Movie 6:15 Chapel 14</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10:45 Bible study 1:00 Emily of Grimes Farm 2:00 BINGO 3:00 English muffin pizzas 15</p> | <p>9:00 Walking Club 10:00 Deer hunt 10:45 Card BINGO 1:00 gifts 4 teachers 2:30 Bible Study 3:15 Finish the picture 16</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10:00 Strawberry shortcake 11:00 Dominoes 1 You be the judge 2:00 BINGO 3:30 Music-Ron 17</p> | <p>9:00 Cards, games 10:30 Music-Paul D 11:00 Craft 1:00 Storytelling 2:00 BINGO 3:00 Walking Club 6:30 Family Night 18</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10:00 Make pudding 11:00 Exercise 1:00 Rootbeer floats 2:00 Music-Clarice 3 You Be the Judge 3:30 Sun catcher 19</p> | <p>10:00 Exercise video 10:30 Trip to see chickens, get eggs 1:30 Make BBQ sauce and shish kabobs 7:00 Lawrence Welk 20</p> |
| <p>9:00 Worship 1:30 Word games 2:45 Movie 6:15 Chapel 21</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10:00 Go Fish 10:45 Bible study 1:00 Music-Royce 2:00 BINGO 3:00 Walking Club 3:30 Door decor 22</p> | <p>9:00 Balloon fun 10:00 You Be the Judge 10:45 Card BINGO 1:00 Obstacle course 2:30 Bible Study 3:15 Jello jiggler 23</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10:00 Egg salad 11:00 Storytelling 1:00 Dominoes 2:00 BINGO 3:00 Make apple sauce 24</p> | <p>10:30 Music- Jack and Joan Walking Club Card BINGO 2:00 Birthday Party 3:00 paper airplanes 3:30 Word games 25</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10:30 Music-Dick F 1:00 rain sticks 2:00 BINGO 3:00 Bean bag toss 3:30 Water balloon toss 26</p> | <p>10:00 Exercise video 10:30 Strawberry craft 2:00 Smores and campfire songs 5:00 Music-Harry E 7:00 Lawrence Welk 27</p> |
| <p>9:00 Worship 1:30 Fitness fun 2:45 Movie 6:15 Chapel 28</p> | <p>Memorial Day 9:00 Book Reading 10:45 Bible study 1:00 Card game, Spoons 2:00 BINGO 3:00 Auction 29</p> | <p>9:00 Walking Club 10:00 Manicures 11:00 Name that tune 1:00 Card BINGO 2:30 Bible Study 3:15 Word train 30</p> | <p>9:00 Book Reading 10 You Be the Judge 11:00 Weight lifting 1:30 Jonathan May Magic Show 2:30 BINGO 3:15 Social hour 31</p> | | | |