



6:15 p.m. in TV Lounge every Friday
Gather with your neighbors and watch on
our large screen TV!

** You also have the option to view the
Friday night movie in your own room ~
just tune your TV to channel 1971 at 6:15

Ocean's Eleven - Friday, April 1 (crime/comedy)

Dapper Danny Ocean (George Clooney) is a man of action. Less than 24 hours into his parole from a New Jersey penitentiary, the wry, charismatic thief is already rolling out his next plan. Following three rules: Don't hurt anybody, don't steal from anyone who doesn't deserve it, and play the game like you've got nothing to lose. Danny orchestrates the most sophisticated, elaborate casino heist in history.

Into the Woods - Friday, April 8 (musical/fantasy)

As the result of the curse of a once-beautiful witch (Meryl Streep), a baker (James Corden) and his wife (Emily Blunt) are childless. Three days before the rise of a blue moon, they venture into the forest to find the ingredients that will reverse the spell and restore the witch's beauty: a milk-white cow, hair as yellow as corn, a blood-red cape, and a slipper of gold. During their journey, they meet Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Rapunzel and Jack, each one on a quest to fulfill a wish.

Courageous - Friday, April 15 (drama)

Sheriff's deputy Adam Mitchell (Alex Kendrick) endures a terrible personal tragedy that causes him to question what is really important to him. Taking comfort in his religion, Adam vows to become a better parent to his teenage son (Rusty Martin), and convinces his friends on the force to sign a pledge that they will all strive to become better Christians and better parents. Unfortunately, one of the men's moral compass appears to be broken when it comes to earning some fast money.

The Lorax - Friday, April 22 (family/adventure)




Twelve-year-old Ted (Zac Efron) lives in a place virtually devoid of nature; no flowers or trees grow in the town of Thneedville. Ted would very much like to win the heart of Audrey (Taylor Swift), the girl of his dreams, but to do this, he must find that which she most desires: a Truffula tree. To get it, Ted delves into the story of the Lorax (Danny DeVito), once the gruff guardian of the forest, and the Once-ler (Ed Helms), who let greed overtake his respect for nature.

Pretty in Pink - Friday, April 29 (romance/comedy)

Andie (Molly Ringwald) is an outcast at her Chicago high school, hanging out either with her older boss (Annie Potts), who owns the record store where she works, or her quirky classmate Duckie (Jon Cryer), who has a crush on her. When one of the rich and popular kids at school, Blane (Andrew McCarthy), asks Andie out, it seems too good to be true. As Andie starts falling for Blane, she begins to realize that dating someone from a different social sphere is not easy.

Reminders from the Nursing Department - Sue Boyer, Care Coordinator



-  Winter is behind us and Spring has sprung! Go out and enjoy some of our beautiful blooms.
-  If you are going out for Easter dinner, please let the nursing or dietary staff know as soon as possible.
-  Please don't let visitors into The Willows without them *first* completing the screening process in the South Wing entrance.

MEADOWLARK

THE WILLOWS

EASTER HOPE ~ Pastor Debra Nield

Just when we thought the pandemic was the worst that the world could throw at us, a war broke out. We often feel like we have endured so much and wonder what could possibly be next? We have to work to find the hope that will carry us through the day.



Henri Nouwen writes: "The Easter season is a time of hope. There is still fear, there still is a painful awareness of sinfulness, but there is also light breaking through. Something new is happening, something that goes beyond the changing moods of our life. We can be joyful or sad, optimistic or pessimistic, tranquil or angry, but the solid stream of God's presence moves deeper than the small waves of our minds and hearts. Easter brings the awareness that God is present even when his presence is not directly noticed. Easter brings the good news that, although things seem to get worse in the world, the Evil One has already been overcome. Easter allows us to affirm that although God seems very distant and although we may remain preoccupied with many little things, our Lord walks with us on the road and keeps explaining the Scriptures to us. Thus there are many rays of hope casting their light on our way through life."

May the Lord fill you with Hope this Easter season. ~ Pastor Debra

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Holy Week begins on April 10 with Palm Sunday. We will have a Holy Thursday Service at 1:30 pm on April 14. On Good Friday, the Stations of the Cross will be available for private prayer and meditation in the TV Lounge between noon and 3:00 p.m. The Willows' Easter Morning Service will be on Sunday, April 17, at 9:00 a.m.



We will be hatching chicks at the Willows for the first time! On Wednesday, April 6, Quiver Farms will deliver an incubator filled with chicken eggs to the Activity Room, and we will get to watch as these chicks hatch from their eggs and begin to grow. You may even get the opportunity to hold them! Be sure to stop by the Activity Room often to check on their progress. What a wonderful way to usher in Spring and the Easter season!

APRIL CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS



FACT OR FOOLERY? Friday, April 1 2:00 pm - Activity Room

On April Fools' Day, outrageously false stories appear in the news. This afternoon, we'll be reading news stories; some will be real, some will be April Fools' jokes. Can you tell the difference?

BAKING WITH SARA Saturday, April 2 10:30 am - Activity Room

In celebration of Chocolate Mousse Day, we will make our own mousse - and then enjoy it during bingo in the afternoon! Join Sara in preparing this sweet treat.

FARKLE WITH SARA Monday, April 4 10:30 am - Activity Room

Farkle is a fun, dice-rolling, risk-taking game. Roll the dice and collect combinations that will earn you points; but, if you decide to take a risk and keep rolling, you could lose your points in a Farkle! Be the first to reach 10,000 points to win!

PINOCHLE Monday, April 4 and Tuesday, April 19 1:30 pm - Activity Room

Have you ever played this trick-taking card game? Do you need a refresher on how the game works? Join us for an afternoon of card playing.

PLANT EXPLORATION: TULIPS & CHERRY BLOSSOMS Monday, April 4 2:30 pm - TV Lounge

We will be exploring some spring flowers and the history that they hold. We will also be 'traveling' to the Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington D.C. Join us and catch a touch of spring fever!

FAMOUS TOURIST DESTINATIONS WITH SARA Monday, April 11 10:30 am - Activity Room

Join Sara for a virtual tour of some of the most famous tourist destinations, and learn some fun facts about the world! Share your own traveling experiences. All are welcome!

CRAFTING: CUPCAKE LINER WREATHS Monday, April 11 2:00 pm - Activity Room

We will spend the afternoon enjoying each other's company and conversation, all while fashioning some festive spring wreaths for our doors!



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION WITH LORI AND JAMES Friday, April 15 1:00 pm - Activity Room

Lori & James return to help us observe our spring birthdays with a special musical performance. Come celebrate and enjoy a sweet birthday treat!

A DAY IN THE LIFE: YOUTH ORCHESTRA TEACHER Monday, April 18 10:30 am - Activity Room

Join Valerie Smith-Gonzalez as she shares with us about her job as an orchestra teacher for elementary and middle school students. Come enjoy listening to Miss Smith-Gonzalez as she plays some live music on her violin!



EASTER JEOPARDY Monday, April 18 1:30 pm - Activity Room

Test your knowledge in this game show about all things related to Easter. From Easter traditions to fictional rabbits to candy - we will cover it all! Join us for a fun afternoon.

BAKING: BUTTERMILK EASTER COOKIES Wednesday, April 20 2:00 pm - Activity Room

Join us for more adventures in baking! We will be making a colorful, sugar-filled treat as we continue to celebrate Easter.

UNIQUE ENDANGERED ANIMALS Friday, April 22 2:00 pm - Activity Room

Join us as we celebrate Earth Day by learning about some unique animals that share our earth - hear about the efforts being made to protect them and lots of fun facts.

ARMCHAIR TRAVELS: AMSTERDAM & THE NETHERLANDS Saturday, April 23 10:30 am - Activity Room

Wooden shoes, windmills and tulips are just some of the things this country is known for. Have you ever travelled to the Netherlands? Join us as we explore this fairytale land from the comfort of our chairs.

ALL ABOUT ELLA FITZGERALD Monday, April 25 10:30 am - Activity Room

In celebration of Ella Fitzgerald's birthday, Sara will be teaching us all about Fitzgerald's life. Join us for a morning of history, trivia, and even a little musical entertainment!

RICE KRISPIE NESTS WITH SARA Monday, April 25 2:00 pm - Activity Room

What's better than a good old-fashioned rice-krispie treat? How about one that is shaped like a bird's nest and filled with candy "eggs"?! Join Sara and create these cute, and entirely edible, treats - perfect for welcoming Spring.

MENS' PROGRAM WITH SCOTT Wednesday, April 27 2:00 pm - Activity Room

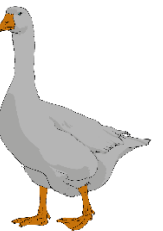
No girls allowed! So, come on, guys, and hang out with Scott as you help him fill up our new planter box with everything needed to start our indoor herbs and plantings garden!

ARBOR DAY HISTORY & TRIVIA Friday, April 29 2:00 pm - Activity Room

Sontosh Kalway once said, "All our wisdom is found in the trees". Join us for a morning of interesting facts and lore about all things related to trees this Arbor Day.

GANZENBORD: THE FIRST ESTABLISHED BOARD GAME Saturday, April 30 10:30 am - Activity Room

'The Game of the Goose' was invented in Italy as early as 1500 - and has been constantly in production ever since that time. Come out and learn about this dice game where players race around the board, trying to land on advantages and shortcuts while trying to avoid penalties and dangers such as a well, a prison or even death (having to start over).



"Easter is the only time when it is perfectly safe to put all of your eggs in one basket."

- Evan Esar

NEW AND NOTEWORTHY OFFERINGS!

BOOK CLUB: The votes are in, and you have decided to read Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom for our first book. This biography reminisces on Mitch's time with his college professor, Morrie Schwartz, as Morrie is dying. Though they haven't talked in years, their relationship re-kindles and turns into one final "class": lessons in how to live.

This book is a quick read, so there is still time for you to join! Let Becca know and she can provide you with a copy of the book. We will gather to have discussion about the book on Monday, April 18th - hope to see you there!

SHUTTLE SERVICE TO SOUDERTON MENNONITE HOMES
We are working with Souderton Mennonite Homes to provide Willows residents with a shuttle service to this community twice a week. There, you are able to exercise in their fitness center, visit with friends living in that community, enjoy a bite to eat at the Apple Orchard Café, or check out their gift shop, 'The Corner Store'.

If you might be interested in this opportunity, please see Becca for more information.