



# THE RIPLEY CROSSING CHRONICLE

**REHAB NEWS** 

Submitted by: Therapy Department at Healthcare Therapy Services, Inc.

# MAINTAIN A HEALTHY BACK & ACTIVE LIFESTYLE

Your back plays a big role in your overall well-being. By protecting it, you can sleep better, feel happier, and maintain an active and fulfilling lifestyle. A healthy back means you can do the things you enjoy, like going for walks, gardening, or playing with grandkids.



**Be Active with Gentle Exercise** 

Regular, low-impact exercises play a crucial role in maintaining the strength and flexibility of your back muscles. Activities like walking, swimming, and tai chi are excellent choices for promoting spinal health without putting excessive strain on your back. Engaging in these exercises helps support your core muscles and keeps your spine well-aligned.



**Maintain Good Posture** 

Consistent good posture is key to preventing back pain. Whether sitting, standing, or walking, be mindful of your posture. Keep your shoulders back, head aligned with spine, and distribute body weight evenly. Avoid slouching or hunching over, especially during prolonged periods of sitting. These adjustments can significantly reduce the risk of developing back pain.



Lift Properly & Avoid Strain

Use proper lifting techniques to protect your back from unnecessary strain and potential injuries. When lifting objects, bend your knees and keep the object close to your body. Avoid twisting your back while lifting, and if an object is heavy or awkward, ask for assistance. Being mindful of how you lift and carry things can go a long way in preventing back pain.

# **How Therapy Can Help**

If back pain is impacting your quality of life, talk with your doctor about physical therapy. A physical therapist will assess the underlying cause of your back pain and guide you through exercises to strengthen the muscles around your spine, improve flexibility, and promote proper body mechanics. They may also use various techniques to alleviate pain such as massage, joint mobilization, heat or cold therapy, ultrasound and electrical stimulation.



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The New Direction In Senior Living

- Upcoming Events-

8th @ 10:00, Bingo Store
14th, Couples Luncheon @ 11:30, &
Valentines Party/King & Queen Crowning @ 2:00
28th @ 1:30, Music with Tom Taylor
22nd @ 2:00, Birthday Bash
19th @ 10:15, Resident Council
Second Monday @ 6:00 pm, Harmony Group
First Thursday @ 1:30, Catholic Mass
Second Friday @ 2:00, St. Paul Lutheran Church
Every Tuesday @ 3:00, Bible Study w/Tito
Every Thursday @ 1:30, Sing Along w/Louise
First Sunday @ 1:30, Moores Hill Baptist Church
Third Sunday @ 2:00, Milan First Baptist Church
Fourth Sunday @ 3:00, Fairview Baptist Church

Check out our Calendars at www.ripleycrossing.com to see what we have to offer on each wing!

Come in and volunteer for one of our activities we offer!

- Team Building-

Ripley Crossing is a fabulous place to work. What makes this possible is the caring, committed team of co-workers. We would all like to extend our warmest welcome to our new team members! Joining the Nursing Department, Amy Smith, R.N. Claire Heil, C.N.A, & Kyleigh Bledsoe, S.N.A. Joining the Activities Department, Emma Rohrig & Gay Morgan We would like to take this opportunity to thank each one of them for joining our team and sharing their time and talents, making our team even greater.





With the up coming Holidays, please remember to have any new clothing marked by our Laundry Department. Our lost and found is getting full. If you have a loved one missing clothing, please contact our Laundry Department @ 812-654-2231 (ext. 238)



for your favorite resident for

Valentine King & Queen

Royalty will be Crowned on

Thursday,
February 14th around
2:00 p.m. in the Community Room.

(all proceeds go to the resident's Activity fund)

Penny Per Vote.

Voting Cups are located on each wing.





- 1. hugs, and kisses
- 2. A person with whom one has a bond of
- 3. Squeeze (someone) tightly in one's arms
- 4. The second month of the year
- 5. The color of blood
- 8. An intense feeling of deep affection
- 11. A piece of paper to send greetings
- 14. A declaration or assurance that one will do something or that a particular thing will
- 15. A color intermediate between red and
- 16. unable to think or act normally, especially
- as a result of being in love 19. another word for gift

- 6. An emotional state or reaction
- 7. A treat made from roasted and ground
- 9. Regarded with deep affection.
- 10. A flat paper container with a sealable flap,
- used to enclose a letter or document.
- 12. A feeling of excitement and mystery associated with love
- 15. a social gathering of invited guests
- 17. Cute and colorful inflated rubber bag
- 18. the Roman god of Love
- 20. A person with whom someone is having a romantic relationship
- 21. A sweetheart chosen or complimented on Valentine's Day





Valentine's Day Maze



EGUYQOKCCIDDVIH VNHZFZHFRIENDE AMOIFSOLHSTVATA YKPLTCVLXCKOVTR MDDLOEQDHVKLOAT SQLALENITNELAV OWAZFVERHLQBGHE PTJTFXQJGZSNOS PHGECTFIGINOJI GYUVCUAIRLERLKK YGKLTATNRYVRFYH NENFIBXADLGORSC JKHIODDHNYODNLB XMUJNFCUGCEPWHN SHZWUEMFOSNKGVP

AFFECTION GREETING BELOVED HEART CANDY HONEY CHOCOLATE LOVE DARLING POEM FRIEND ROSE GIFT VALENTINE Match the Famous Couple

Sheherazade Jane Krishna Daphne

Francescas Romeo

Scarlett O Hara Galatea Delilah Acme

Aphrodite King Shahryar

**Apollos** Eve

Maid Marian Jane Eyre

Othello Adonis Paolo Juliet

Pygmalion **Edward Rochester** 

Robin Hood Rhett Butler Tarzan Desdemona

Samson Radha

Adam Septimus





## **Employee Birthdays** Resident Birthdays Employee Ann 2/2 Georgia Weldon Evelyn Fryman 2/5 Jacqueline Johnson 16 yrs Employee Claire Heil 8 yrs Thomas Greene 2/4 2/5 Malena Hunger 6 yrs Evelyn Anderson 2/6 Robert Stephens 2/7 Faith Pindell of the Quarter **Doris Bonfer** 2/8 Robert Russel 2/8 Robert Stephens 7 yrs 2/10 2/10 Shannon Gillespie Julie Mesch Rhonda Maybrier 2 yrs Patty Herd 2/15 Rachel Roth 2/11 Nancy Pickett 2 yrs ulie Campos Jacqueline Smith Kelsey Rodgers 2/17 2/14 Aerionna Allen 1 yr 2/24 Calista Lochard Brenda Pyron 2/16 Rivera Makalee 1 yr 2/16 Nancy Leever 2/25 Savanah Lovins Bayley Johnson 2/18 Mary Berger 2/18 2/19 Amber Thompson 2/25 Lauretta Hartman Vera Fugate 2/20 Wynonna Metcalf 2/26 Ellianna Waldron 2/21 2/21 Jessica Riley 2/27 Rick Schmaltz Malena Hunger 2/28 Hailey Richmond 2/23

## **CLERGY**

Our facility chaplain Rev. Harris Long is available to staff, residents, and families who may need his assistance.

Please call 812-654-2231 to set up an appointment or for more information.

The Eucharist of Anointing of the sick is administered by the priest on the first and third Thursday of every month to all Catholic residents at Ripley Crossing. The prayers ask for God's healing physically, spiritually, and mentally. The sacrament offers a special grace to calm the spirit. The elderly and those with chronic pain and suffering, can and should be anointed often. This sacrament, sometimes referred to as the Last Rites or Extreme Unction, helps prepare a person for death, if and when God wills it.

\*Activity Calendars are always available at the front desk for each wing. Please feel free to help yourself!

\*We are always looking for new and exciting ways to highlight our residents and their families. Check out our Family Feedback stories on www.ripleycrossing.com and let us know if you'd like your loved one added! Call Valerie Bennett @ 812-654-2231 or e-mail activities@ripleycrossing.com



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