

DID YOU KNOW?

Monday, February 9 is National Pizza Day!
Here are some interesting facts about the famous pie you might not have known!

** The origins of pizza can be traced back to prehistory, with some believing flatbread dishes (the great-grandfather of pizza) began during the Neolithic Period. The modern pizza, with crust, marinara sauce, & mozzarella cheese, originated in Naples, Italy in the 18th century.

** The Italian word for pizza is "pizza"

** The word pizza was adopted from Italian into English language in the 1930's. Prior to its rise in popularity, English speakers referred to pizza as "tomato pie."

** Pizza was taken to the USA by Italian immigrants in the late 19th century. The first US pizzeria was opened in NYC in 1905 by Gennaro Lombardi. It was called Lombardi's. It is still operating & is recognized by the Pizza Hall of Fame.

** In America, 350 slices of pizza are ordered every second, totaling 100 acres of pizza each day! The top 5 days for pizza sales are Super Bowl Sunday, New Year's Eve, Halloween, Thanksgiving Eve, and New Year's Day.

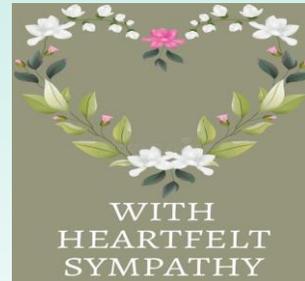
** The world's longest pizza, as measured by the Guinness Book of World Records, was made by a team of 100 people over the course of 54 hours in 2017 in Fontana, CA. It stretched an incredible 1.15 miles!

** The first pizza box was patented in 1963.

** The Great Debate: New York Style Pizza is famous for its thin crust, while Chicago - style is known for its deep dish. Which do you prefer?



Mike Arnold to 300
Nancy Jacobs to 300



Our thoughts & prayers go out to the families of the residents we've recently lost.

Mary Finkbeiner
Owen Miller
Ron Lenard



Residents

Bonnie O. ~ 2/11
Bob M.~ 2/14
Mary C.~ 2/16
Geneva L.~ 2/23
Paul C.~ 2/27

Staff

Terrie Bruursema~ 2/11
Kimberly Ross~ 2/18
Andrea Garcia~ 2/19
Alexis Winqwest-Laponsie~ 2/28



Librarians from our local library here in Wyoming will be stopping by once again for their monthly visit on Tuesday, February 10 at 11am to switch out our book supply.

One of our activity assistants, Terrie, does manicures. If you would like your nails done, let her or Rachel know & we will put you on the list. She can come to your room, or we can do it in the beauty shop.

**PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDARS & LET YOUR KIDS & GRANDKIDS KNOW!
 THEY MUST LET OUR ACTIVITY DEPARTMENT KNOW IF THEY ARE JOINING YOU FOR SOME FUN!**





Please join us on Wednesday, February 11 at 3:30 on 200 Hall to wish Becky, our Executive Director, the best as she will be leaving her position here at Wyoming Woods & stepping into a new role in our community.

Come & say "See Ya Later" & enjoy some light refreshments as well!



Guardians of the Arctic

You don't have to live in the Arctic to celebrate International Polar Bear Day on February 27. The polar bear is one of nature's most awesome beasts and is the world's biggest hunter. Polar bears spend much of their time lying in wait outside holes cut in the ice by ringed seals, which must return to the surface for air every five to 15 minutes. A seal's survival depends on maintaining its series of breathing holes. That same survival instinct is what eventually provides the polar bear with its next meal.

As the Arctic warms and ice recedes, polar and brown bear habitats have begun to overlap, and hybrid polar-brown bear offspring have appeared. Dubbed *nanulaks* by Canadian wildlife officials, the hybrid bears are whitish brown with long claws and a humped back. Offspring of a male polar bear and a female grizzly are called *pizzlies*; reverse the parentage and it's a *grolar bear*.

However, as long as there is ice to roam and there are seals to hunt, a polar bear's home will always be the Arctic.



