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GEORGIA WAR VETERANS NURSING HOME

May 2025

Hello May

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GEORGIA WAR

WOULD LIKE TO WISH
 YOU A MONTH FILLED
 WITH LOVE, PEACE, AND
 JOY.

WELCOME!

Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home would like to give a warm welcome to the following new residents:

Domenick Bastelli	Calvin Rambert
Gary Trammell	Larry Rogers
William Garr	William Yarbrough



Things to know about May

Birthstone: Emerald

Flowers: Lily of the Valley

Astrology Zodiac Signs: Taurus & Gemini

Dates to Remember:



5/1	May Day (International Workers' Day)
5/2	International Harry Potter Day, Brother's & Sister's Day
5/5	Cinco De Mayo
5/11	Mother's Day
5/12	International Nurses Day
5/18	International Museum Day
5/26	Memorial Day



DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

The following individuals/organizations contributed their time and/or services to GVWNH:

American Legion Department
of Georgia

Jumbo BINGO Cage Set

American Legion Post 192
Auxiliary

Ice Cream Social, Snack
Cakes, Razors, Body Wash,
additional toiletries and

American Legion Post 205
Auxiliary

Pizza Party

Chaplain Larry Jesion

Church Service

Combat Vets Motorcycle Club

BINGO Prizes, and Candy

Elks Lodge 205

Banana Pudding Social

Evans VFW

Birthday Gifts

VFW Department of Georgia
Auxiliary

Monthly Birthday Cake

Mackey House Music

Live Music

DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

Project Lifting Spirits Late Night Movie, Hangers,
Pillows, Easter Egg Hunt, Easter
Celebration Snacks and Neck

The following individuals/organizations made contributions to our
Resident Benefit Fund:

Michele Elliott

Pinnacle Honorable Mentions May 2025

Kalilah Jones	Sabrina Miller	Tamara Glanton
Natasha Mormant	Chaquajah Taylor	Lindsay Mouchet
Candace Schumann	Dr. Richard Sams x2	Amy Green
Arreanna Griffin	5th Floor Nursing Staff	2nd Floor Nursing Staff
Constance Jones	Tiana Jones	Carolyn Harris
	Tamika Williams	

Thank You



Warrior of the Month

Life is wild. When life starts is debatable, but there are three factual, undeniable, universal phases. Phases are as straightforward as birth, life, and death. Phase one, birth, is uncontrollable. We have no power over the choices made or the community we enter. We naturally adapt to the options life hands us. Then comes phase two, Life. Fraught with a kaleidoscope of never-ending choices where even the best-laid plans can go higgledy-piggledy with a single unpredictable twist. This month's Veteran of the Month is a testament to resilience and adaptability in the first and second phases. Mr. Venable is proof that it's not always preemptive actions that define us, but more so how we respond to the unexpected. Mr. Venable proudly served two tours in Vietnam with the US Navy building upon his mechanical knowledge



that led him to open his repair shop in tandem with his career in sales/service management for GM. Eventually, Mr. Venable even opened his own jewelry store. After 30+ years of building his career and juggling a beautiful blended family with seven children to be proud of, Mr. Venable faced frequent personal challenges that guided his life. A man in control until life presented his twist. Daily, Mr. Venable teaches us the value of humanity and empathy while navigating the complexities of caregiving. Despite having reason to be bitter, Mr. Venable demonstrates how empathy is not merely an isolated quality. It is interwoven with our relationships and experiences, binding us together in a shared phase. Not dwelling on the eventualities of an unpredictable phase three, he gladly shares his unique perspective on life. Choosing, even on the most difficult days, to be hopeful and find joy in the simplest experiences. His life is still wild and, with so many unwritten chapters to go, unpredictable. Thank you, Mr. Venable, for allowing us the honor of being with you during this phase and for being our May Warrior of the Month.

Heather Nichols,
Activities Director



Did You Know??

Comcast's Large Button Remote-Available Free of Charge

<https://www.xfinity.com/support/articles/large-button-remotes>



Comcast offers a large-button remote to customers free of charge upon request. The large-button remote is a third-party device that delivers improved readability of the remote keys and may be easier to use for our customers who are elderly, blind or have low vision or a visual disability and other customers with disabilities.

The large-button remote:

- Is simple to program.
- Can operate two devices at once, such as your TV Box and television.
- Is pre-programmed to work with: Comcast's Motorola TV Boxes and TV Adapters.
- Is compatible with the Xfinity X1 TV Box.

Comcast provides this remote at no additional charge for our customers and offers help and support for using it, though we do not manufacture the device. The remote control requires installation of four AA batteries (included).

To order the large button remote contact the **Comcast Accessibility Support Center for Customers with Disabilities:**

You can reach the center between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET), Sunday through Saturday, by:

- Emailing accessibility@comcast.com.
- Calling 1-855-270-0379 and saying "accessibility" or describing the issue (e.g., "large-button remote," "Audio Description").
- For self-service assistance and FAQs, text "Accessibility" to 266278.

HOME CHURNED PEACH ICE CREAM



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Jerry Adams





MASTERS AT GEORGIA WAR



SNACKS WITH ELKS LODGE 205



The Sanders
Celebrating 45 Years
of *Marriage*

FUN & GAMES WITH ACTIVITIES



MUSIC & GAMES WITH ACTIVITIES



PINE NEEDLE GARDEN CLUB



BINGO WITH DAV



ICE CREAM WITH DAV



POPCORN, NACHOS & FRED SANFORD & SON



CHURCH WITH CHAPLAIN LARK



GAMES & PIZZA WITH SRVE



COLORING PAGE



COLORING PAGE



COLORING PAGE



WORD SEARCH

Solution on page 30

Name: _____ Date: _____

DIRECTIONS:
Find and circle the
vocabulary words
in the grid. Look
for them in all
directions including
backwards and
diagonally.

Memorial Day Word Search



HALF MAST

HEROES

HOLIDAY

HONOR

MAY

MEMORIAL

OBSERVANCE

PATRIOTIC

REMEMBRANCE

SACRIFICE

SALUTE

SERVICE

SOLDIERS

TAPS

VETERANS

WAR

Tiwanne Ferguson

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

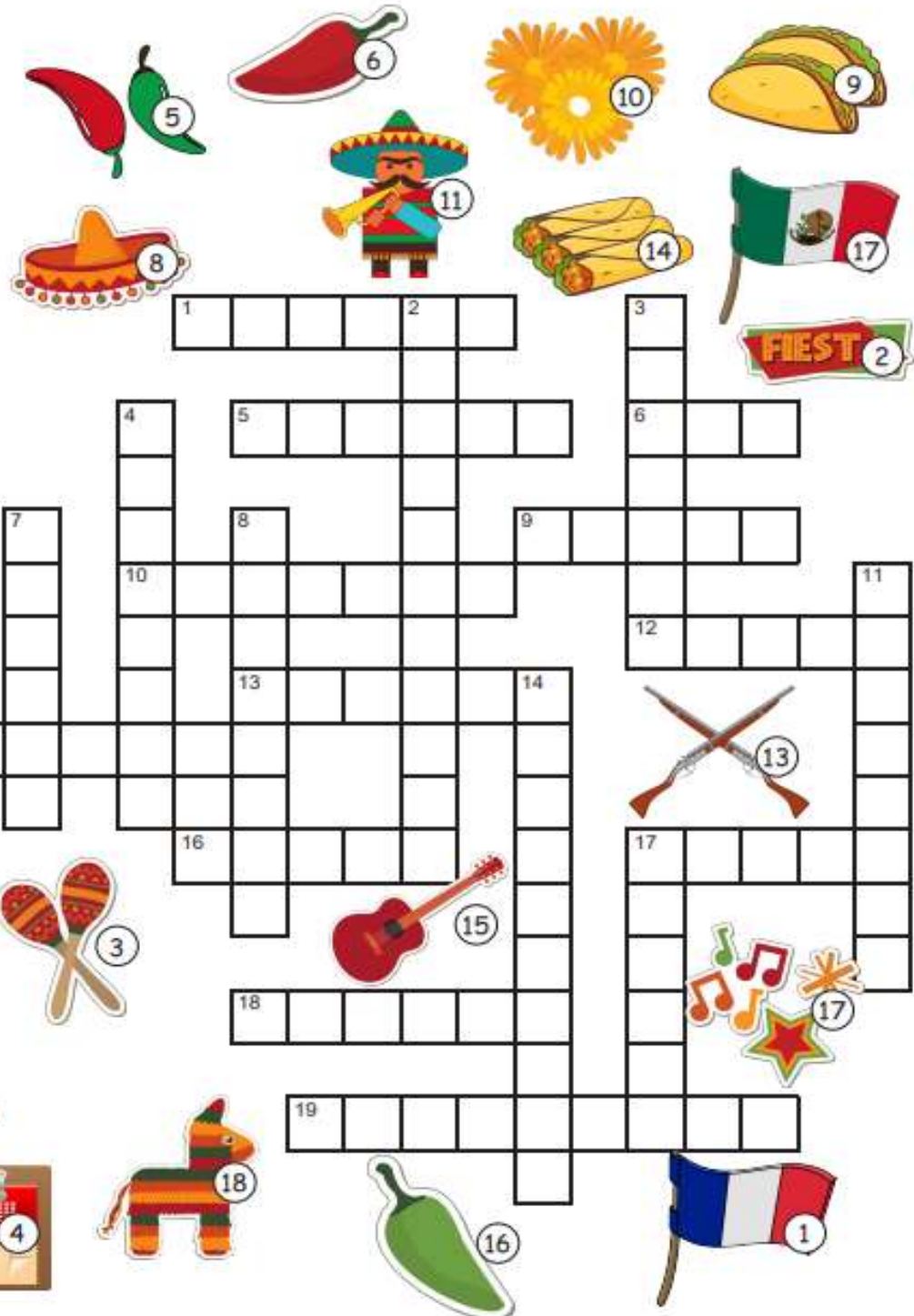
Solutions on page 31

Cinco de Mayo

DIRECTIONS: Fill in the puzzle, using the pictures as clues.

WORD BANK

Battle
Cactus
Celebration
Chiles
Enchiladas
Flowers
France
Green
Guacamole
Guitar
Maracas
Mariachi
MayFifth
Mexico
Music
Pinata
Red
Salsa
Sombrero
Tacos



WORD SCRAMBLE

Solution on page 32

Name: _____ Date: _____



Word Scramble

In the Northern Hemisphere, May is a month when flowers bloom, the weather gets warmer, and school starts to wind down for the summer. Can you figure out the seasonal vocabulary words by unscrambling the letters?

EENRG _____

GHITL _____

LLAIC _____

ASRSG _____

BTRUTELYF _____

OBLMO _____

SDSEE _____

AOEMYLP _____

ICPINC _____

RESO _____

SRDIB _____

IHSNNSUE _____

ATRSUU _____

LOFREW _____

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MBULEEBBE _____

EGADNR _____

ISNRGP _____

OERTHM _____

AHTWMR _____

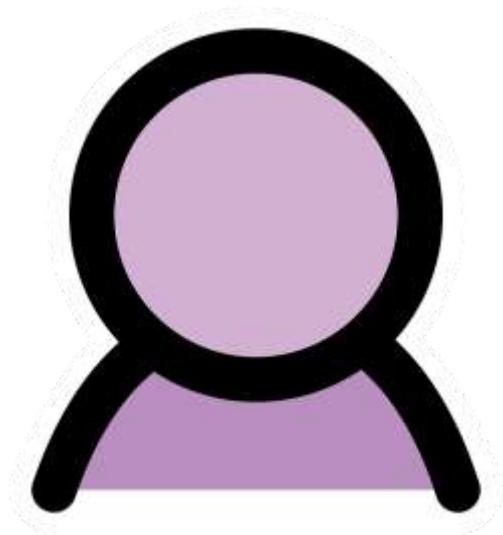
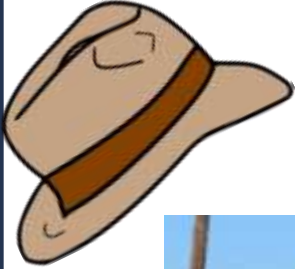
PUITL _____

AELBALBS _____

HIDDEN NAME CONTEST

Congratulations!

**April 2025 Hidden Name
Contest Winners**



James Stansbury

**Oops! Our staff winner did not
find their name!**

Somewhere in this issue, we have hidden the names of one Georgia War Resident and one Staff Member.

If you find your name, please call the Activities Office to claim your prize.

Each month, we will randomly pick the name of one resident and one staff member. Be sure to carefully review each issue to see if your name is hidden somewhere within.

Good Luck!



From the Bottom Up!

May is here!

I am so thankful that you are still here with me, to be able to read this article, and hopefully find some inspiration. I am amazed by some of the people I talk with and how they find it very challenging to find the good in people, places, or even things. I wonder what happened to them. What caused them to be in that constant negative state of mind? The greatest battle in life is fought in our mind, not on a battlefield. So, allow me to encourage you as you wake up each morning to go ahead and command your day. You decide that today is going to be a great day, regardless of what others may say! Decide that you are not going to be rude; instead, approach others with a loving attitude. I would like for you to read this poem I shared many years ago as a reminder of how our attitude can help us or hurt us.

Please read it slowly; once you are done, read it again starting from the bottom up and let me know if there was anything different that you learned.

Today was the absolute worst day ever
And don't try to convince me that
There's something good in every day
Because, when you take a closer
look, This world is a pretty evil place.
Even if Some goodness does shine
through once in a while
Satisfaction and happiness don't last.
And it's not true that
It's all in the mind and heart
Because True happiness can be attained
Only if one's surroundings are good
It's not true that good exists
I'm sure you can agree that
The reality Creates My attitude
It's all beyond my control
And you'll never in a million years hear me say
Today was a very good day

Many your day always be lived from the bottom up!

Your Chaplain, Timothy E. Lark



Chaplain's Corner

Not to Keep

Robert Frost

They sent him back to her. The letter came
Saying ... and she could have him. And before
She could be sure there was no hidden ill
Under the formal writing, he was in her sight—
Living.— They gave him back to her alive—
How else? They are not known to send the dead—
And not disfigured visibly. His face?—
His hands? She had to look—to ask,
“What was it, dear?” And she had given all
And still she had all—they had—they the lucky!
Wasn't she glad now? Everything seemed won,
And all the rest for them permissible ease.
She had to ask, “What was it, dear?”

“Enough, Yet not enough. A bullet through and through,
High in the breast. Nothing but what good care
And medicine and rest—and you a week,
Can cure me of to go again.” The same
Grim giving to do over for them both.
She dared no more than ask him with her eyes
How was it with him for a second trial.
And with his eyes he asked her not to ask.
They had given him back to her, but not to keep.

In Loving Memory

James Berckart & Elijah Cherry



Happy Birthday

Residents

Mark Knebelsberger	5/3
Colous Lynch	5/5
Palmer Lewis	5/13
Isaac Johnson	5/14
Harry Pappas	5/16
Lofton Reeves	5/20
Gene Milton	5/22
Calvin Payne	5/26
Bobby Andress	5/28

Staff

Sarah Naji	5/15
Sabrina Miller	5/18
Tiffany Jenkins	5/20
Sharon Neely	5/21
Jamya Gist	5/23
Tiwanna Ferguson	5/26
Pamela Parker	5/27
Irma Prescott	5/28
Shannon Strippy	5/30

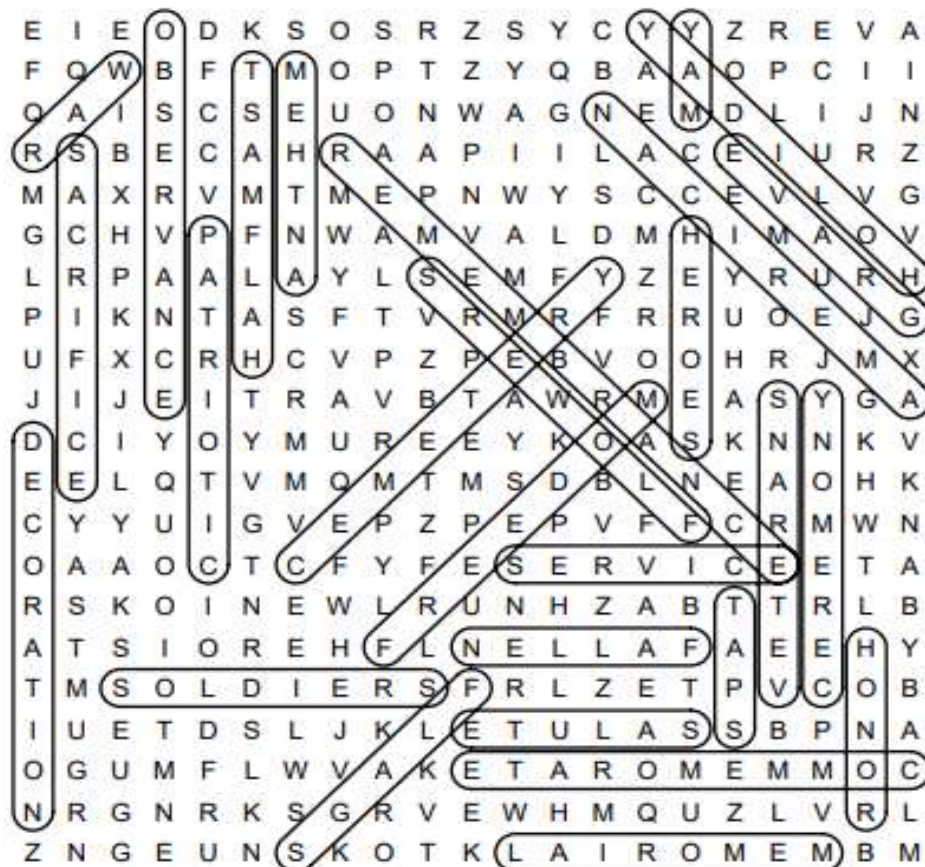
Wishing these wonderful residents and staff a
Happy Birthday month!

WORD SEARCH SOLUTIONS

Memorial Day

Word Search

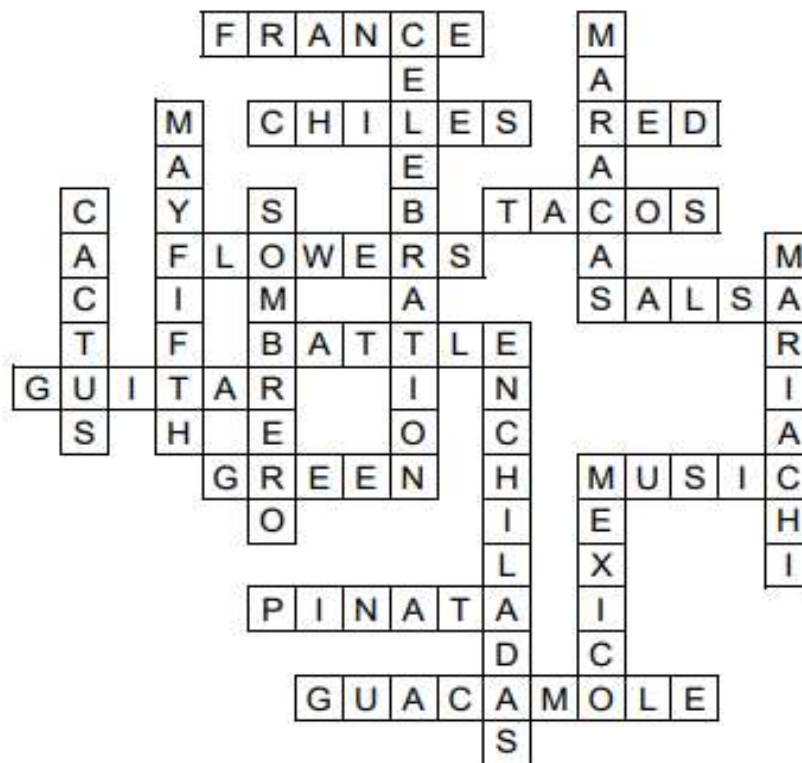
SOLUTION



CROSSWORD PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

Cinco de Mayo

Solution




WORD SCRAMBLE SOLUTION

May Word Scramble

SOLUTION


EENRG	<u>GREEN</u>	ATRSUU	<u>TAURUS</u>
GHITL	<u>LIGHT</u>	LOFREW	<u>FLOWER</u>
LLAIC	<u>LILAC</u>	OMSSLOB	<u>BLOSSOM</u>
ASRSG	<u>GRASS</u>	LDABGUY	<u>LADYBUG</u>
BTRUTELYF	<u>BUTTERFLY</u>	PATLN	<u>PLANT</u>
OBLMO	<u>BLOOM</u>	MBULEEBBE	<u>BUMBLEBEE</u>
SDSEE	<u>SEEDS</u>	EGADNR	<u>GARDEN</u>
AOEMYLP	<u>MAYPOLE</u>	ISNRGP	<u>SPRING</u>
ICPINC	<u>PICNIC</u>	OERTHM	<u>MOTHER</u>
RESO	<u>ROSE</u>	AHTWMR	<u>WARMTH</u>
SRDIB	<u>BIRDS</u>	PUITL	<u>TULIP</u>
IHSNNSUE	<u>SUNSHINE</u>	AELBALBS	<u>BASEBALL</u>

Resident Menu – May 2025

Sunday 5/04	Monday 5/05	Tuesday 5/06	Wednesday 5/07	Thursday 5/08	Friday 5/9	Saturday 5/10
BREAKFAST						
Fresh Blueberries Oatmeal Scrambled Eggs Turkey Bacon Toast	Peaches Pancakes Scrambled Eggs Pork Sausage Patty	Biscuit Grits Scrambled Eggs Grilled Ham	Pineapple French Toast Scrambled Eggs Turkey Sausage Patty	Tropical Fruit Grits Scrambled Eggs Bacon Toast	Strawberries Sausage & Cheese Breakfast Casserole Toast	Pears Oatmeal Scrambled Eggs Turkey Bacon Toast
LUNCH						
Baked Swiss Steak Garlic Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Berry Cobbler Dinner Roll	Cinco De Mayo Lunch  Mayo Lunch	Roasted Ginger Pork Rice Pilaf Asian Vegetables Banana Pudding Dinner Roll	Spaghetti with Meatballs Green Beans Yellow Cake Garlic Bread	Roasted Turkey with Gravy Steamed Rice Mixed Vegetables Brownie Dinner Roll	Fried Fish Rice Pilaf Collard Greens Apple Pie Dinner Roll	BBQ Chicken Roasted Sweet Potatoes Zucchini Jell-O Dinner Roll
DINNER						
Smothered Pork Chop Mexican Rice Mixed Vegetables Jell-O Dinner Roll	Philly Cheesesteak Sweet Potato Fries Coleslaw Chocolate Cake	Grilled Chicken Sandwich Vegetable Soup Fruit Salad Crackers	Tuna Salad Crackers Chicken Noodle Soup Chocolate Pudding	Beef Pot Roast Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Sugar Cookie	Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Fries Mixed Vegetables Jell-O	Baked Ham Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Pineapple Dinner Roll
BREAKFAST						
Fresh Blueberries Scrambled Eggs Pork Bacon Pancakes	Pineapple Scrambled Eggs Corned Beef Hash Grits	Strawberries Scrambled Eggs Sliced Ham Breakfast Potatoes	Tropical Fruit Scrambled Eggs Pork Sausage Patty French Toast	Cantaloupe Scrambled Eggs Turkey Bacon Hash Browns	Pears Scrambled Eggs Biscuit with Sausage Gravy	Grapes Scrambled Eggs Turkey Sausage Patty Pancakes
LUNCH						
Country Fried Steak Steamed Potatoes Green Beans Key Lime Pie Dinner Roll	Chicken Pot Pot Pie Brussel Sprouts Cobbler Dinner Roll	BBQ Pork Loin Butter Beans Cabbage Watermelon Cornbread	Lasagna Cooked Spinach Peaches Garlic Bread	Chili Lime Chicken Lemon Rice Pilaf Zucchini & Yellow Squash Carrot Cake Dinner Roll	Crispy Baked Tilapia Hushpuppies Collard Greens Banana Pudding Cornbread	Chicken & Dumplings Steamed Broccoli Apple Pie
DINNER						
Fried Chicken Sweet Potato Squash Ice Cream Cornbread	Hot Dog on a Bun Baked Beans Asian Slaw Chocolate Pudding	Tuna Salad Potato Soup Crackers/Bread Chocolate Chip Cookie	Chili Steamed Rice Carrots Lemon Pudding	Brunswick Stew Rice Spinach Ice Cream Dinner Roll	Chicken Tenders French Fries Mixed Vegetables Peanut Butter Cookie	Cheeseburger Potato Salad Green Beans Watermelon


Menu items are subject to change based on supply and availability.

Resident Menu – May 2025

Sunday 5/18	Monday 5/19	Tuesday 5/20	Wednesday 5/21	Thursday 5/22	Friday 5/23	Saturday 5/24
BREAKFAST						
Tropical Fruit Oatmeal Scrambled Eggs Turkey Sausage Patty	Pineapple Grits Sausage & Cheese Breakfast Casserole	Tropical Fruit Cream of Wheat Scrambled Eggs Grilled Ham Toast	Peaches Grits Scrambled Eggs Turkey Bacon	Fresh Blueberries French Toast Scrambled Eggs Grilled Ham	Pears Scrambled Eggs Biscuit with Sausage Gravy	Grapes Oatmeal Scrambled Eggs Bacon Toast
LUNCH						
Roasted Pork Loin Dijon Roasted Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Ice Cream Cornbread	Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Cookie Dinner Roll	Fried Fish Baked Yams Green Beans Pie Dinner Roll	Meat Loaf Mashed Potatoes Roasted Vegetables Angel Food Cake with Strawberries Dinner Roll	Teriyaki Chicken Fried Rice Oriental Vegetables Peaches Dinner Roll	BBQ Pork Rib Macaroni & Cheese Collard Greens Watermelon Dinner Roll	Balsamic Glazed Chicken White Rice Squash Medley Jell-O Dinner Roll
DINNER						
Baked Ham Turnip Greens Macaroni & Cheese Peach Cobbler Cornbread	BBQ Pork Sandwich Coleslaw Baked Beans Tropical Fruit	Tuna Salad Sandwich Southwest Tortilla Soup Pasta Salad Chocolate Pudding	Greek Chicken Zucchini Rice Pilaf Chocolate Chip Cookie	Philly Cheesesteak Steamed Carrots Baked Fries Vanilla Pudding	Lasagna Green Beans Garlic Bread Cobbler	Sloppy Joe Sandwich Roasted Zucchini Baked Chips Jell-O
Sunday 5/25	Monday 5/26	Tuesday 5/27	Wednesday 5/28	Thursday 5/29	Friday 5/30	Saturday 5/31
BREAKFAST						
Tropical Fruit Scrambled Eggs Corned Beef Hash Grits	Pears Scrambled Eggs Sausage Crispy Hash Browns	Tropical Fruit Scrambled Eggs Sliced Ham Pancakes	Pineapple Scrambled Eggs Biscuit with Sausage Gravy	Peaches Scrambled Eggs Pork Bacon French Toast	Strawberries Sausage & Cheese Breakfast Casserole Toast	Tropical Fruit Scrambled Eggs Turkey Sausage Patty Banana Muffin
LUNCH						
Baked Ham Cornbread Stuffing Green Beans Chocolate Cake Dinner Roll	Memorial Day BBQ 	Baked Ziti Garlic Bread Spinach Jell-O	Fried Shrimp Hushpuppies Coleslaw Cookie	Country Fried Steak Baked Sweet Potato Steamed Cabbage Snickerdoodle Cookie Dinner Roll	Fried Chicken Roasted Potatoes Collard Greens Pudding Cornbread	Sausage, Peppers & Onions Vegetable Medley Jell-O Dinner Roll
DINNER						
Grilled Chicken Lima Beans Glazed Carrots Vanilla Pudding	Beef Bean Chili White Rice Broccoli & Cauliflower Peaches Cornbread	Italian Pork Loin Pinto Beans Squash & Red Peppers Pudding	Lemon Pepper Chicken Roasted Potatoes Spinach Tropical Fruit	Meatloaf with Gravy Mashed Potatoes Brussel Sprouts Peaches	Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Mixed Vegetables Grapes Garlic Bread	Chicken Tenders Potato Wedges Steamed Carrots Ice Cream

Menu items are subject to change based on supply and availability.

MAY 2025

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
				1 9:00 Movie & Popcorn on each unit 2:30 Ice Cream Social with DAV	2 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark 2:30 Taken' Shots	3 Family Visits
4 Family Visits Faith Baptist Church @ 2:30	5 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Balloon Boxing 2:30 BINGO	6 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Game Shows with Friends 2:30 Music in Motion 7:00 BINGO with CMVA Riders	7 8:30 Barber – 5 th Floor 10:00 Kollide 1:30 Resident Council 2:30 DAV BINGO	8 9:00 Movie & Popcorn on each unit 2:30 Yard Games	9 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark 2:30 Frozen Friday	10 Family Visits Faith Out Reach (3rd Floor) @ 10:00
11 	12 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Balloon Release 2:30 What's in the Box?	13 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Game Shows with 2:30 Seak & Find	14 8:30 Barber – 4 th Floor 10:00 Chaplain Larry 10:00 Garden Club	15 9:30 Coffee & News 2:30 Social with AL Post 192	16 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark	17 Family Visits
Nurses Week NSNCW	Nurses Week NSNCW	Nurses Week NSNCW	Nurses Week NSNCW	Nurses Week NSNCW	Nurses Week NSNCW	Nurses Week NSNCW
18 Family Visits Mackey House Music @ 2:30	19 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Parachute Pop 2:30 Sunshine Therapy 7:00 BINGO	20 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Game Shows with Friends 2:30 Parachute Pop	21 8:30 Barber – 3 rd Floor 10:00 Chaplain Larry 2:30 Social with Elks Lodge 205	22 9:00 Movie & Popcorn on each unit 2:30 Arts Kits from Morris Museum	23 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark 2:30 Sunshine Therapy Chaplain Lark	24 Family Visits
25 Family Visits Church of Christ @ 2:30	26 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Music in Motion 2:30 BINGO	27 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 Game Shows with Friends 2:30 Ice Cream Social with AL Post 205	28 9:30 Barber – 2 nd Floor 10:00 Chaplain Larry 2:30 Birthday Party with VFW	29 9:30 Movie & Popcorn on each unit 2:30 Dominoes	30 9:30 Coffee & News 10:00 The Word with Chaplain Lark 2:30 Frozen Friday	31 Family Visits
Activities are subject to change based on Resident interest and safety; One-on-one activities occur on each floor						

Thank you

*To all of our Veterans, families, friends,
and staff.*

GEORGIA WAR VETERANS NURSING HOME

