May 2021

Georgia War would like to wish you a wonderful month filled with happiness.

Take a peek at what’s happening here at the Blue Goose!
Welcome!

A warm welcome from Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home to the following new staff members:

Teresa Craig
Richard Sams
Crystal Signal

May 6th – National Nurses Day

Rosanna Joe
Berkeley Shelton

May 9th – Mothers Day

Sharon Neely

May 9th – 15th – National Nursing Home Week

Lynnette Dillingham-Taylor

May 15th – Armed Forces Day

A warm welcome from Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home to the following new residents:

Alan Anthony
John Forrester
Paul Evans
Clide Sherrod
Gerald Powell

Pinnacle Honorable Mentions—April 2021

Juliet Abrams
Sharon Neely

May 5th – Cinco De Mayo

Amy Green
Lynnette Dillingham-Taylor

Paul Evans
Mary Walker

Timothy Lark

Dates to Remember:
Georgia War COVID-19 Update

Thank you for continuing to trust Georgia War with your loved one’s healthcare needs. We continue to do all that we can to protect our residents and staff from the spread of COVID-19 and this includes following all updated CDC and GDPH guidelines. Currently, we have one active positive case of COVID-19 for staff and no positive resident cases at GWVNH. All future cases will continue to be quarantined and surveillance testing will continue for all staff. Indoor visitations will tentatively start back on Monday, May 17th for all residents who meet criteria. The courtyard will continue to be utilized as weather permits for outdoor visitation. Please refer to the visitation memo on the next page for more information.

Please know that we will continue to follow all infection control procedures and distribute the vaccine as necessary to all residents and staff. As we continue to fight this pandemic, I am proud to say that all of our departments continue to step up to ensure that medical care, therapies, and ancillary support services continue in a safe and effective manner. Volunteering to help in ways we never imagined, staff continue to work beyond their role or job title which confirms a true commitment to our mission. Everyone should be commended for their continued efforts.

As mentioned in previous communications, this pandemic has led to new medical challenges, policies, and procedures, and we will remain vigilant in an effort to maintain a safe and healthy environment for residents and staff. Please know that our leadership team continues working with federal, state, and local government agencies in support of our mission. We continue to experience an amazing outpouring of support from individuals and community partners. On page 5, there is list of those who have provided Georgia War with support during this time. These groups remain committed and will continue to support Georgia War through this public health emergency. We are very fortunate and thankful for their partnership.

Thank you to all of our residents, staff, and families for your continued efforts and flexibility in this ever changing environment. As we continue to navigate through this ever changing environment at home, work, and in our communities, we know that none of the freedoms we have today would be possible without the valor and courage of those who chose to defend this great nation. These are the veteran residents that reside in our facility and our community today. We hope that you and your family will continue to remain safe at home and in your community.

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Administration. Thank you for your continued support of our efforts in caring for the veterans at Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home.

Carlton Deese
Executive Director
Thank you for continuing to trust Georgia War with your loved one’s healthcare needs. We are doing all that we can to protect our residents and staff from the spread of COVID-19, including following all applicable guidelines from the CDC and GDPH. Indoor visitations are anticipated to resume for all residents on Monday, May 17th, except when circumstances require limitations due to a high risk of COVID-19 transmission. Please call 706-721-2824 to schedule a visit. As we begin expanded visitation, please keep in mind the following visitor requirements:

- Visitation will be limited in duration and frequency to safely accommodate all residents and families. We must also limit the total number of visitors in the facility at one time, based on size of the building, physical space and allowing for appropriate social distancing.
  - We can allow up to three visitors at a time for outdoor visitation.
  - Indoor visitation may have up to two visitors per resident at any given time.
  - Visitation will be limited to only those over 18 years of age.
- Frequency of both indoor and outdoor visits will be determined from week to week depending on the facilities available resources. Severe weather or extreme temperatures may prevent outdoor visitations.
- Indoor visitation will only occur in the lobby of the first floor and locations will be established. Visitors should continue to remain socially and physically distant from other residents and one another, except in cases where the resident has been fully vaccinated.
- All visitors will be screened for symptoms and temperature checked prior to meeting with their loved one. All visitors and residents must comply with face mask usage at all times.
- All visitors who exhibit signs/symptoms of COVID-19 or anyone that does not pass the screening, will not be permitted entry for visitation. Please avoid visiting if exhibiting signs and symptoms of any illness.
  - Any visitor with a pending COVID test or currently under home isolation orders for COVID-19 per the health department will not be permitted to visit with a resident.
  - All visitors must perform hand hygiene prior to visiting with their loved one. Hand sanitizer is available for visitation.
  - Indoor/outdoor visitation does not apply to residents on isolation due to a COVID-19 infection or those under quarantine.
- Individuals who have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 within the previous 14 days will not be allowed to visit, regardless of vaccination status. If a visitor, within 14 days of their visit, discovers that they have tested positive for COVID-19 or were exposed to COVID-19, please contact Administration as soon as possible so that we may begin contact tracing. This is extremely important to make sure we keep all of our residents as safe as possible.
- Circumstances which would require indoor visitation limitations due to a high risk of COVID-19 transmission:
  - The resident is required to quarantine. In this case, visitation may be conducted virtually unless a compassionate care visit is permitted.
  - The facility has an active case in the building. In the event of a new case of COVID-19 among residents or staff, all indoor visitation will be suspended and outbreak testing will begin immediately. Visitation will resume according to guidelines, typically within 14 days.

These and other guidelines will be required to reduce the possibility that COVID-19 may enter and spread in the facility. We strongly believe that vaccination is an essential and effective way to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and encourage all visitors to get vaccinated. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns as we move forward with indoor visitation. Thank you.
## Donations and Contributions

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

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

- Paulding County Post 111
- Joyce Shurling
- Susan Sasser
Staying Busy at Georgia War

Banana Splits
Staying Busy at Georgia War cont.

Sunshine Therapy
Staying Busy at Georgia War cont.

Dominos

Fun & Games
Staying Busy at Georgia War cont.

Bingo

Coffee Club

Movie & Popcorn

Masters Celebration
Staying Busy at Georgia War cont.

Frozen Friday
Staying Busy at Georgia War cont.

- Book Club
- Therapy Work Outs
- Garden Club
Staying Busy at Georgia War cont.

Pizza Party
Easter Celebration
Easter Celebration cont.
Easter Celebration cont.
May Word Search
Solutions on pg. 27

Lassie
Dennis the Menace
I Love Lucy
Leave It to Beaver
Andy Griffith Show
Betty White Show
Mister Ed
Howdy Doody
Zorro
Ozzie and Harriet
Donna Reed Show
Dick Van Dyke Show
Mickey Mouse Club
Alfred Hitchcock Presents
Danny Thomas Show
Lone Ranger
Addams Family
Munsters
My Three Sons
Make Room For Daddy

To answer the trivia question, look for a word or phrase that is hidden in the puzzle, but not in the word list.

Trivia: This popular sitcom received excellent ratings when it first aired in 1956, yet only a total of 39 episodes were made before the show was cancelled in 1957. What is the name of the show?

Answer:
May Brain Teaser
Solutions on pg. 27

Spot the Difference!

Find 10 differences between the 2 pictures!
**INGREDIENTS**

- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 egg, room temperature
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 cups fresh blueberries

**TOPPING:**

- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/3 cup cold butter, cubed
- Whipped cream, optional

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**Classic Blueberry Buckle**

Submitted by The Cinnaman

**Preparation**

1. Preheat oven to 375°. In a small bowl, cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add egg; beat well. In another bowl, combine the flour, baking powder and salt; add to creamed mixture alternately with milk, beating well after each addition. Fold in blueberries. Spread into greased 9-in. square baking pan.

2. For topping, in a small bowl, combine the sugar, flour and cinnamon; cut in butter until crumbly. Sprinkle over blueberry mixture.

3. Bake until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 40-45 minutes. Cool on a wire rack. Serve with whipped cream and extra blueberries on top.

**Baker’s Tip:** If using frozen blueberries, use without thawing to avoid discoloring the batter.
April 2021 Recipe Winner

Congratulations!

If you, or someone you know, is interested in submitting a recipe for a chance to be published in the Vet Com and win a prize, please submit by one of the following ways.

Send us a letter:
Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home
ATTN: Business Services
1101 15th Street
Augusta, GA 30901

OR

Use this QR Code
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!
Many are under the impression that Chaplains primarily go around praying for individuals who are sick or dying. That, of course, is one of the aspects of a Chaplain, but they do so much more. Chaplains work with people from various religious backgrounds or none at all to offer a supportive presence, counseling, and rituals. As Chaplains on the front line during this COVID-19 pandemic, we find ourselves moving towards death rather than retreating from it. In this article, I would like to give a little more insight into a Chaplain's responsibilities.

What is a Chaplain?
A Chaplain is typically a cleric (such as a minister, pastor, rabbi, priest, purohit, or imam) or a layperson of a religious tradition, attached to a secular institution such as a hospital, prison, military unit, nursing home, intelligence agency, embassy, school, labor union, business, police department, fire department, university, sports club or a private chapel. A Professional Healthcare Chaplain is a theologically educated, pastorally experienced, and clinically trained minister certified by a professional chaplaincy organization and serves as an integral member of the healthcare team. The Chaplain's primary role is to provide spiritual/pastoral care to patients/residents, their family members, and the medical staff. They also offer emotional, religious, and ethical care as needed.

Other Chaplain Duties:

In House Pastor for Staff: A Chaplain is an understanding friend and confidant in an often stressful and demanding health care environment. The Chaplain provides a listening ear and a pastoral perspective for the staff as they face professional and personal problems. Those staff members who have no minister of their own often seek the Chaplain's counsel, especially during various times of family dynamics and professional pressures.

Liaison for Local Clergy: In a healthcare setting, the Chaplain sees the patient/resident before his or her minister is aware of the hospitalization. With the patients'/residents’ consent, the Chaplain can call the family pastor, priest, rabbi, or other religious leaders. The Chaplain provides pastoral care and support until their minister arrives.

Contact for the Community: Serving as the facility's public relations person for the religious community, the Chaplain can coordinate the community clergy's services. The Chaplain is prepared to conduct seminars and workshops on patient/resident visitation, thermal illness, death and dying, and the grieving process. The Chaplain is available to conduct funerals, weddings and speak in churches when the regular minister is away.

Support for Patients'/Residents' Families: The Chaplain is available to support distressed families of critically ill or dying patients/residents. If the patient/resident does not have his or her minister, the Chaplain may serve as a trusted friend and religious figure.

I'm am so thankful to be the Chaplain here at the Georgia War Veterans nursing home; this is an honor and privilege to serve our Veterans and staff! As your Chaplain during this very challenging time in our nation, I pray to be able to continue to serve and support all of you. Make it a great day!

- Chaplain Timothy E. Lark

Source: [https://www.hcmachaplains.org/what-is-a-chaplain/](https://www.hcmachaplains.org/what-is-a-chaplain/)
The Return
by Alora M. Knight

At a time of sorrow, it is hard to believe
That the sun will once again shine.
That's when it seems you do nothing but grieve,
With all joy being left far behind.

Still, life has a way of starting anew,
A gradual moving away
From heartaches that linger, as heartaches will do,
If you will allow them to stay.

As spring returns to the Earth every year,
Bringing all of its beauty in view,
So merciful time will heal everything,
Bringing peace of mind back to you.

Know in your heart that love never dies,
No matter whatever befalls.
The only ones who never have tears in their eyes
Are those who loved no one at all.

The greater the love, the greater the loss.
Still, it's love that makes life worth living.
Few are the ones who will not bear the cost
To have shared in the joy of its giving.
These wonderful people are the residents and staff who will be celebrating birthdays in May!

Residents

Mark Knebelsberger 5/3
Phyllis Alford 5/6
Gloria Cohen 5/11
Earl Jones 5/12
Hughey Williamson 5/17
Lofton Reeves 5/20
Algie Dennis 5/21
Sidney Shields 5/25
Gaylord Maxwell 5/28
Kathryn Riffle 5/30

Staff

Juliet Abrams 5/6
Wallene Roberts 5/6
Phyllis York 5/7
Zykeria Williams 5/8
Tariq Cherry 5/9
Sarah Naji 5/15
Sabrina Miller 5/18
Crystal Signal 5/18
Sharon Neely 5/21
Elizabeth Prestifilippo 5/21
Sandra Banks 5/23
Pamela Parker 5/27
Tiara Lambert 5/28
Irma Prescott 5/28
Shannon Strippy 5/30
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- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Deals or No Deal
- **2:30pm**: Bingo

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- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: “Pop” Off Prizes
- **2:30pm**: Banana Splits

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: What’s the Word?
- **2:30pm**: What’s the Word?

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Sunshine Therapy
- **2:30pm**: Knock Out

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Movie & Popcorn, 2-5
- **2:30pm**: Throwback Day

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Checkers
- **2pm**: Frozen Friday

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- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Elks Lodge Pastries
- **2:30pm**: Bingo

- **9am**: Coffee Club & Food for Thought
- **10am**: Music in Motion
- **2:30pm**: What’s the Word?

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Movie & Popcorn, 2-5
- **2:30pm**: Takin' Shots

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: The Word with Chaplain
- **2:30pm**: Courtyard Games

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: The Word with Chaplain
- **2:30pm**: Bingo

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- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Music in Motion
- **2:30pm**: Bingo

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Noodle Ball
- **2:30pm**: Birthday Party

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: Movie & Popcorn, 2-5
- **2:30pm**: Fun & Games

- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: The Word with Chaplain
- **2:30pm**: Frozen Friday

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- **9am**: Coffee Club
- **10am**: In the News
- **2:30pm**: Bingo

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, staff, faculty, and contributors.

GEORGIA WAR VETERANS NURSING HOME