New Mercer Commons OCTOBER 2025

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OCTOBER IS HERE

October features the beloved holiday of Halloween on the 31st, the cultural Diwali (Festival of Lights), and Columbus Day in the US. It is a month for significant awareness campaigns like Breast Cancer Awareness Month & Dementia Awareness Month!

PROST! **OKTOBERFEST!**

October 2nd -2:00pm

Join us this October 2nd for our yearly Oktoberfest Celebration! Enjoy complimentary goodies and local Odell beer! Sip, Sing along, and Smile!



Resident **Birthdays**

Suzanne Wilson - Oct. 2 Marlene Duncan - Oct. 4 Mary Jo Orendorff - Oct. 10 Mary Alyce Krist - Oct. 13 Estelle (Stella) Chapey - Oct. 14 Loren Cordain - Oct. 24 James Connell - Oct. 25 Bernice Manzo - Oct. 25 Nancy Sundgren - Oct. 26 Beverly Gilbert - Oct. 28 Robert Benoit - Oct. 30

Staff **Birthdays**

Melinda Ford - Oct. 7 Layla Kovalsky - Oct. 11 Jakota Holloway - Oct. 17 LaDonna Cram - Oct. 29

Staff **Anniversaries**

Megan Johnson - 2 yrs. Theresa Nunnally - 2 yrs. Esmeralda Gamino - 3 yrs. Nathalie Riggs - 3 yrs. Sierra Serrano - 3 yrs. Bryanna Soja - 3 yrs. Debra Goldberg - 2 yrs. Makayla Kraemer - 4 yrs. John Bowman - 6 yrs. Ella Bjorklund - 12 yrs.

OCTOBER FUNNIES & FACTS:

What do you call two spiders who get married in October?

Newly-webs, of course!



How do you compliment a pumpkin on Halloween night? You tell her she is gourd-geous!



What is the first sign that a vampire skipped their flu shot? They start coffin!



Did you hear what happened to the man who fell behind on his payments to the exorcist?

He got repossessed!



OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

OCTOBER CRAFT CLUBS!

Everyone loves silly & spooky crafts this time of year & boy do we have some in store for the wonderful folks here! Join us throughout the month of October for baking, cookie decorating, jewelry making and more!

LOST & FOUND

Missing something? New Mercer Commons will have our yearly Lost & Found up for those who may have misplaced any items over the past few months. Please check the tables on Cedar Hallway to locate anything you my have lost!

LARIMER COUNTY ELECTION **VISITS**

October 13th - 9:00am

Vote Larimer will be here to assist our residents with this next round of election votes on October 13th, 9:00am to finish. Please contact Activities if you have any questions!

FLU & COVID CLINIC

October 7th & 15th – 12:30pm-3:30pm

Safeway is hosting 2 clinics at New Mercer Commons to provide vaccines for our staff and residents. If you would like to receive the flu vaccine, please speak to Nursing & Admissions to begin signing the consent forms!

MEMORY CAFÉ

October 28th - 10:30am - CDR

Dementia Together is hosting a Memory Café for our Residents this October to discuss family traditions & Halloween memories! Come on down and share your spookiest family stories & fall fun!

HALLOWEEN TRUNK OR TREAT!

October 31st – 3:00pm

Come one, come all! New Mercer Commons is hosting a Trunk or Treat Event for staff & resident families! Have the kiddos put on their costumes, collect candy, and play games this Halloween!

MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

We have a plethora of musical performances throughout the month of October for our residents to sing along and smile to including 2 Sound Affects performances, Music with Scott, Senior Serenaders, K.I.S.S, Peter & Doti and more!

MUSCLE MOVEMENT

As we get older, it is so important to move our muscles slowly and intentionally. Join us throughout the month for daily morning exercise, Chair-obics, Pilates with Pals, Walking Club & our "Zen Zone: stretch & unwind" activities to relieve those achy joints! We are offering group sessions all week so pop in and pose with us!

THERAPY DOG VISITS!

Furry friends make our days brighter, no doubt. We're offering our residents' group therapy sessions every week with some amazing pups! Join us for a doggone good time.



Residents love Arnold Palmer, one of our Pet Therapy Pups!

RESIDENT BIRTHDAY BASH

On October 16th, we will be hosting our Resident Birthday Bash for residents who celebrate birthdays in October. Please join us for games, music, & cake as we celebrate YOU!





Ashley W. from Healthy Habitats Gardening giving a presentation on Painted Lady butterflies!



Choo-Choo! Brian O. teaching everyone how to play the popular dominoes game called Mexican Train.



Collage time!



Diana C. at our Painted Lady Butterfly event.



Heads up! Theresa N. getting splashed in our Dunk Tank!



Nichole C & Gina D. are all smiles & fun at the New Mercer Commons Fundraiser Carnival!



Marie-Louise feeding our furry goat friends!



Diana C. showing off her face paint at our Carnival



Horan Ranch brought the cutest goats to visit!

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