

## Are You an April Fool?

The first day in April is the day most commonly called "April Fool's Day".

Practical jokes, silliness, and foolishness are a big part of the day. Nobody is exactly sure where the tradition started, though many people think it can be traced back to a change in the calendar in 16th century France.

When King Charles IX introduced the Gregorian calendar in 1582, it changed the first day of the new year to January first. Before that, it was celebrated during the week of March 25 - April 1. Those that refused to acknowledge the change



continued to celebrate on April first and were considered "fools" for not changing. It became commonplace to play jokes on these people.

Now, people all over the world use April Fool's Day as an excuse to play practical jokes on friends. These are not mean-spirited tricks, just silly jokes. Many newspapers, radio personalities, television shows, and Internet web sites participate in the celebration.

One of the most famous April Fool's Day hoaxes was carried out in 1957. The BBC television news show, Panorama, announced that Swiss farmers had grown a wonderful "spaghetti crop" and showed a video of them picking spaghetti from trees! In 1998, Burger King advertised its new Left-Handed Whopper on April Fool's Day, saying that all of the condiments were placed especially for the left-handed eater. Both of these practical jokes fooled tons of people!



Palm Sunday celebrates
Jesus' triumphal entry
into Jerusalem and
marks the start of Holy
Week, the final days of
his earthly ministry.

On this Good Friday may we never forget the true meaning of Easter - For when He was on the cross, I was on His mind.

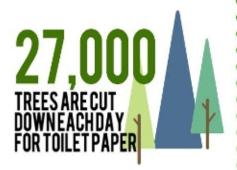


HE IS NOT HERE, FOR HE HAS RISEN!

Matthew 28:6

Easter Sunday





inches rise in sea level by end

There is an underwater trash heap called the **Great Pacific Garbage Patch** that is 2x the size of the USA



### 100 million

Americans live in urban areas where the air is unsafe according to the EPA



2040
the Arctic region
might have its 1st icefree summer

# SURVIVING SPRING ALLEVOLES

people suffer from allergies



## Common Symptoms



Runny nose



Nasal congestion



Coughing



Sneezing



Watery eyes



Itchy nose and eyes



Worsened asthma symptoms (for asthmatics)



Decreased quality of sleep



Spring allergies are most commonly related to tree pollens:

- Birch
- White Ash
- Elm
- Walnut
- Maple



#### Remedies

- Nasal saline rinses
- Nasal steroid sprays
- Antihistamines (oral or prescription nasal spray)
- Immunotherapy (allergy shots)



- Overall avoidance
- Check pollen counts daily and stay inside on high pollen days
- HEPA filter air cleaners in your home
- Wash bedding and clothing often in hot water
- Shower and change clothes after you've been outside on high pollen day



Testing can be done with a skin test or a blood test.



## Highlights

## Special Days in April

4/1 April Fool's Day

4/2 PB&J Day

4/3 Volunteer Dinner

4/5 Spa Creek Dental Info

4/13 Scrabble Day

4/14 Palm Sunday

4/16 Library Day

4/18 Fitness Test

4/19 Good Friday

4/20 Pineapple Cake

4/21 Easter

4/22 Family Council

4/24 Shakespeare Day

4/26 Pretzel Day

4/27 Sense of Smell Day

4/30 Hairstylist Day

## Family Council with





Monday, April 22 at 10am Phone options for everyone



Learn about the services that they can provide for Assisted Living Residents on Friday, April 5th at 10:30am.

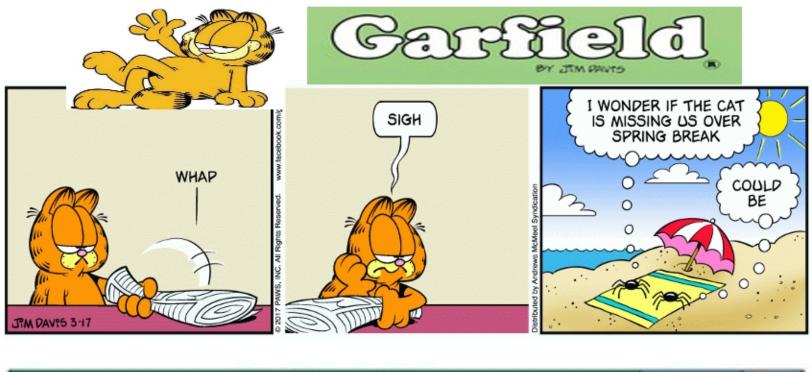
# HOW ARE YOU?

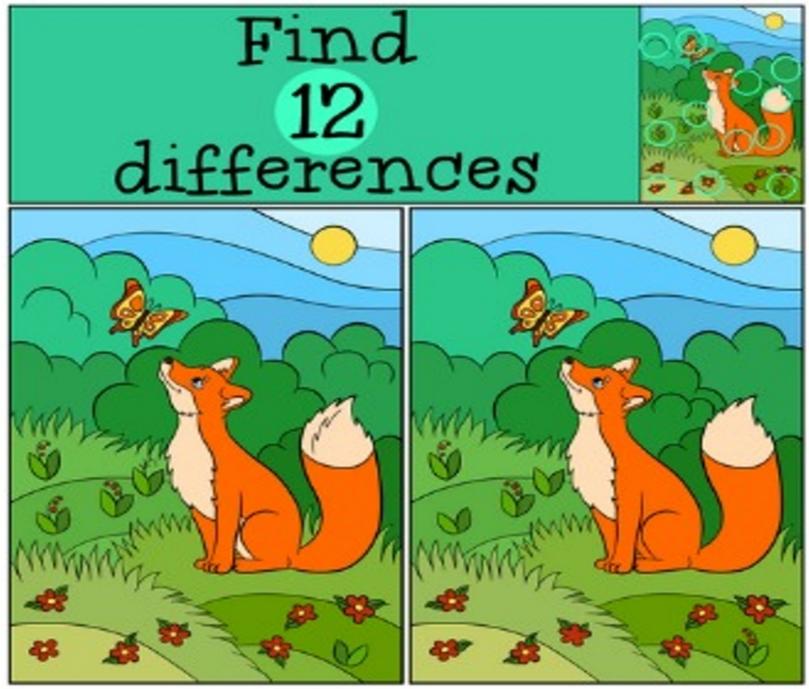
Fitness Test on Thursday, April 18th at 1pm in the second floor activity room.



If you would like to eat Easter Dinner with your loved one, please make reservations at the front desk in advance. Dinner will be serviced on Sunday, April 21st at

noon.







## Spring Word Search



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SPRING MAY GREEN WARM UMBRELLA MARCH FLOWERS GRASS SHOWERS EASTER



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