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The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is an important day for Americans. It is the day their country was born. On July 4<sup>th</sup> 1776, Congress officially adopted the Declaration of Independence and announced to the world that they were a free nation, independent from Great Britain. Although Americans have celebrated July 4<sup>th</sup> since 1777, it didn't really become a *federal* legal holiday until 1941. So, what do Americans do on this day?

July 4<sup>th</sup> celebrations often take place outdoors. People decorate their homes with streamers, fake rockets, balloons and flags. Everything is done up in red, white, and blue, the colours of the "The Star-Spangled Banner", the name of the US national anthem and one of the nicknames of the American flag. The flag has 50 starts for the fifty states and 13 stripes for the first 13 colonies. In the morning, lots of people dress up and go out in the street to watch the parades. The biggest parade is in Washington D.C., the capital of the USA. Afterwards families get together by hosting or attending a picnic or barbecue. In many cities people have block parties. Then, they watch or play a baseball game. At night, they watch firework displays, usually accompanied by patriotic songs. Firework shows are held in many states with the Macy's Firework Spectacular in New York, typically being the most impressive. It's a fun day for everyone.

B. Mark (T) for True or (F) for False	C. <u>Choose the best answer:</u> 1) The Declaration of Independence was		
On July 4th Americans celebrate their independence from France	written in a) 1776 b) 1777 c) 1941		
The Declaration of Independence was officially approved in 1776	Americans celebrate with     a) picnics and flags     b) parades and firework displays     c) barbeques and streamers		
3) It became a national holiday in 1776			
4) July 4th was first celebrated in 1777.	Most people spend this day with their		
5) The American national anthem is called "The Star-Spangled Banner"	a) families b) friends c) both of these		
6) The US has 13 states	4) The flag is also called		
7) People watch parades on July 4th 🌺 🚺	a) Red -Striped Banner b) Star Striped Banner		
8) The national colours are red and blue	c) Star Spangled Banner		
9) On July 4th night, they play baseball.	a) enjoy b) don't mind c) hate		
10) New York has the largest parade			



## SOCIAL WELLNESS



1 IN 6 PEOPLE OVER 65 ARE SOCIALLY ISOLATED

HIGH SOCIAL
CONNECTION
INCREASES
LONGEVITY BY 50%





WHEN WE COMMUNICATE, WE SPEND 45% OF OUR TIME LISTENING

HAVING MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS LOWER BLOOD PRESSURE, DECREASES ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION



TURN TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR A SOLID SUPPORT SYSTEM



# STAY SOCIAL. It's good for your

Studies show that social interaction could play an important role in your health.

Older adults who are isolated and lonely tend to have worse physical and emotional health than those who are socially active.





### POTENTIAL HEALTH RISKS OF SOCIAL ISOLATION INCLUDE:

- · Higher risk of heart disease
- Cognitive decline
- · Higher risk of anxiety and depression

Maintaining an active social life could help you stay healthy.

#### SO HOW CAN YOU STAY SOCIAL?

- Stay in touch with friends and family, and try to visit them regularly
- · Volunteer in your community
- Participate in activities at your local senior center
- Join a coffee group or book club
- Take a class learn a new language or a new style of cooking, or experiment with a new hobby
- Join a gym or fitness center
- Schedule regular visits with grandkids, or volunteer at a school or children's organization
- Don't forget the importance of phone calls, snail mail and email





Social interaction is most effective to your well-being when coupled with an overall healthy lifestyle, including a nutritious diet and physical activity.

Staying socially active and maintaining your relationships are important parts of healthy aging. Reach out to your loved ones — neighbors, friends, family members — and stay as vibrant, active and social as you've always been.

# Highlights



Join us on Tuesdays at 10am in the second floor activity room for the Planet Earth Club. You will be amazed.



Come learn about Medicaid & Long Term Care Planning on Thursday, July 18th at 6pm in the second floor activity room.

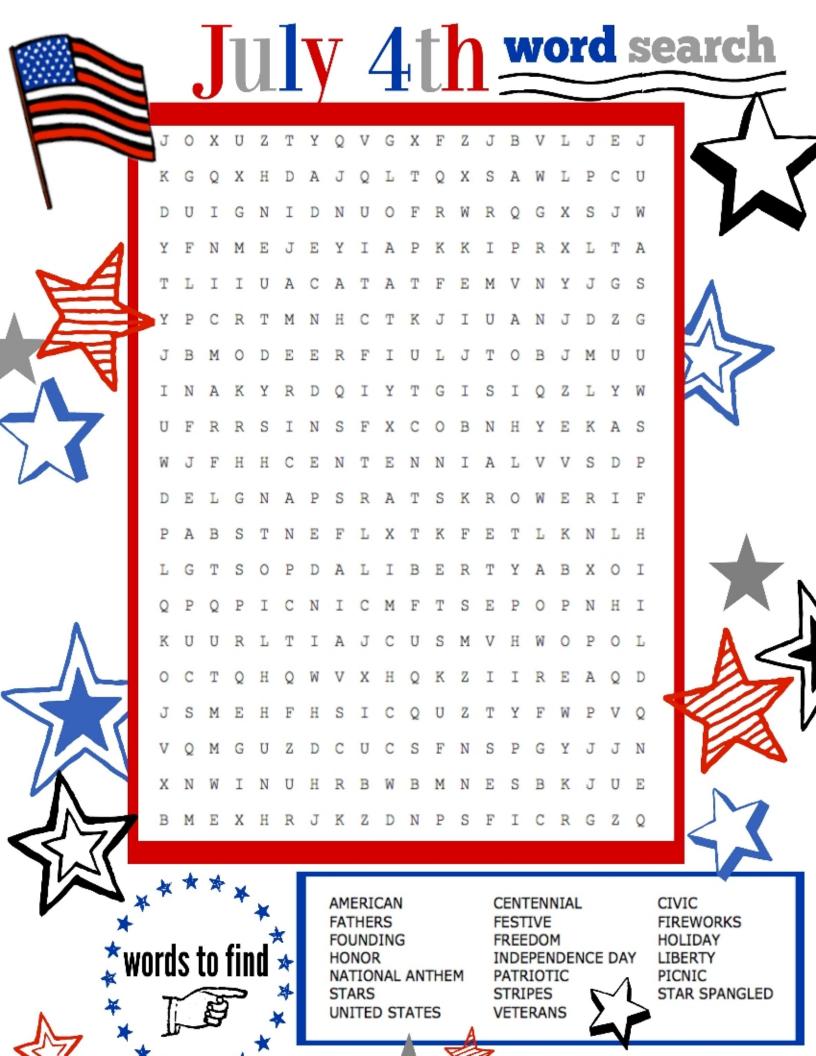


## Balance Screen

Thursday, July 18th at 1pm in the 2nd floor activity room.

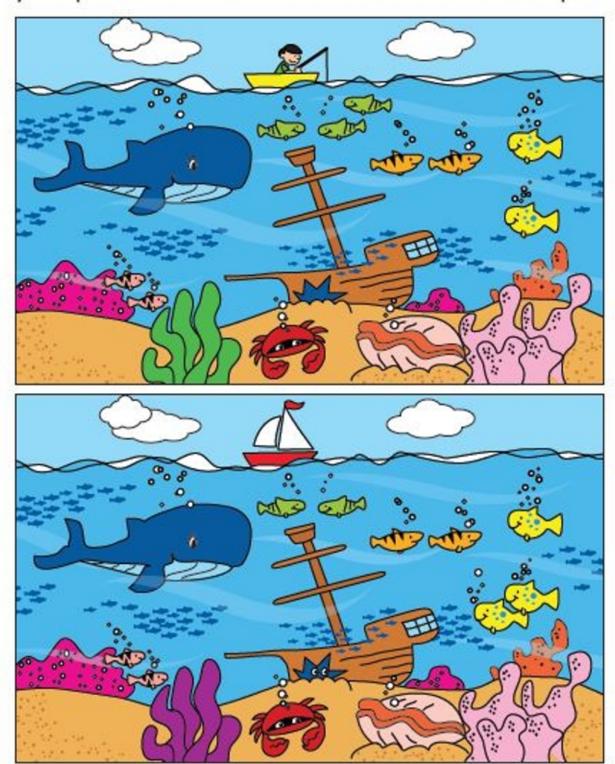


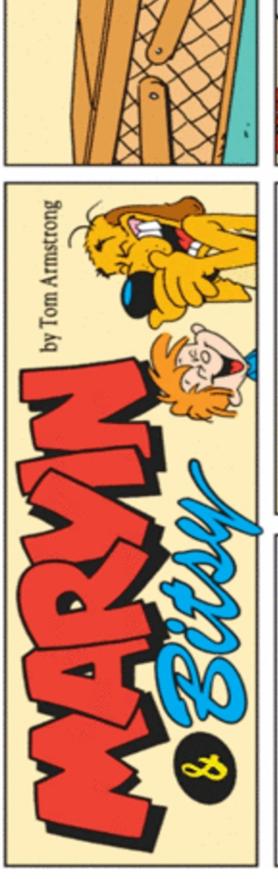
Come learn about social media on Saturday, July 13th at 11:15am in the 2nd floor activity room. Learn how to "like us" on our Lorien Health Services Facebook page.

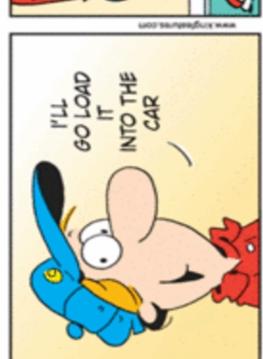


# under the sea

Can you spot the 5 differences between these two pictures?







IN THE PARK BEFORE

PICNIC BASKET







Put you Into your Playpen

BOING

UNTIL IT'S TIME









MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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