

May 2015 Activity Spotlight



We're celebrating our neighbors to the south in May. Mexico! We've scheduled some Mexican Mocktail Socials and some Mexican Hot Chocolate Socials throughout the month.

On Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, at 2pm in the Dining Room, we'll have a Cinco de Mayo Mocktail Hour and drinking games. Cinco de Mayo celebrates the anniversary of the Mexican Victory in the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War (1861-1867). In 1862, Emperor Napolean III sent French troops to conquer Mexico. On May 5, 1862, the Battle of Puebla was fought between more than 2,000 Mexicans led by General Ignacio Zaragoza and an experienced French army numbering more than 6,000. Cinco de Mayo celebrations include parades, dances, mariachi music and parties with lots of food!

Festive parties with lots of food brings us to our Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, celebration of mothers with our Dia de las Madres Fiesta at 2pm in the Dining Room. Your families are all invited to come and join in the fun! There will be a variety of Mexican hors d'oeuvres and drinks. Please invite your friends and families for a fun afternoon!

We'll also be having a Mexican Buffet for our noon meal on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. We will be serving a delicious variety of Mexican dishes prepared to be tasty without worries of too much heat. "Heat" will be available on the side for those with more robust palates. Our local Mary Kay representative will be sponsoring a fun make-up party on Friday, May  $1^{st}$  at 2:30pm in the dining room. Be sure to stop by and get all glammed up!

Our Needlework Group got off to a fine start in April. We'll be continuing in May, and will be moving to the Country Kitchen on the first floor. Please bring along projects you are working on, as well as some ideas of what you would like to learn/ do. Please check the May activity calendar for dates and times.

JJ Dion will be joining us on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm for a really fun sing-a-long of old favorites and familiar popular songs. Come on down to the dining room for a fun, entertaining afternoon!

Herman Schlatt, our notable local accordian player, will be here on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> in the dining room at 2pm for a fun, upbeat accordian music performance.

Kathy Ryan will be joing us on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 2pm in the Fireplace Room for a rousing sing-a-long. Come and join in the fun!

Heartsong trio will return on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm for an hour of familiar faith based hymns and praise songs in the Country Kitchen. Come add your voice to the harmonies and melodies or to simply enjoy listening to some joyful noise!

Gentiva Home Health, one of the agencies that comes to Red Oak to provide physical and occupational therapy as well as visiting nurse services will be providing a speaker for us on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in the dining room for a presentation on Fall Prevention.

