



# EASTER WORD SEARCH



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CHICK	T	N	S	M	K	A	O	R	C	P	L	A	C	P	B
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CARROT	C	Y	L	C	I	A	R	G	Q	L	A	M	B	K	O
SPRING	A	A	H	E	W	F	O	D	S	T	O	A	A	C	S
DAFFODIL	R	G	N	O	F	F	I	A	S	S	G	Y	C	E	S
LAMB	R	W	T	D	P	O	Q	J	N	W	A	E	K	X	O
BASKET	O	A	C	S	Y	D	L	O	B	T	E	R	S	P	M
HUNT	T	L	N	E	A	I	U	Y	K	I	N	O	O	T	R
TULIP	R	I	V	N	K	L	I	C	N	N	M	I	S	C	E
CANDY	A	C	I	C	K	M	A	I	K	T	E	E	P	R	K
DUCKLING	X	J	I	J	F	Y	T	S	O	L	R	A	R	N	E
RABBIT	U	H	G	W	J	N	D	R	E	W	I	P	I	E	N
BLOSSOM	C	W	X	T	U	L	I	P	N	O	R	N	N	E	N
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## April 2024

Birchmere Retirement Residence  
GAZETTE

Residents will have the opportunity to enjoy two special socials this month, for two different and splendid events, including celebrating the arrival of spring and to mark the rare total solar eclipse. Both socials will include live music, drinks, and some delicious, sweet treats.

The beginning of this month also marks the end of our Birchmere Book Drive. As of the writing of this Newsletter we have collected 168 books, 50 Magazines, 88 DVD's and a total of \$95.00 monetary donation to go towards buying some large print books! Thank you to everyone who donated to our library! We are still in the process of organizing our library, with new books appearing on the shelves each week.

Mid-month we will be celebrating National Volunteer Week, a time to celebrate and thank all of our Birchmere Volunteers.

Our "Lunch Club" Outing this month is to Shaw's Pancake House. Please sign-up as soon as possible since seats on the bus are limited!

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### EVENTS

- April 3rd
  - 2:00 Spring Social: *Music by 2 Hearts Content – PL*
- April 4th
  - 2:00 Food Feedback Meeting & 2:30 Resident Council Meeting – PL
- April 5th
  - 2:00 Book Chat & Literary Tea – DS
- April 8th
  - 10:00 *Guardian Angels Church Service – PL*
  - 2:00 Eclipse Social: Music with Bill Dickinson – PL
- April 10th
  - 11:30 – 2:30 LUNCH OUTING – Shaws Pancake House  
\*Sign-up Required in Advance! (\$)
- April 11th
  - 2:00 Music with Bob Cook – PL
- April 12th
  - 2:00 Book Chat & Literary Tea – DS
- April 15th
  - 10am-1pm Spring Bazaar – PL
  - 6:30 Jazzmatazz – PL
- April 17th
  - 2:00 Drifter's Choir – PL
- April 18th
  - 2:00 Worship w/ Rev. John – PL
- April 19th
  - 2:00 Music w/ Lee Matthieu – PL
- April 22nd
  - 2:00 Joyful Noise – PL
- April 24th
  - 2:00 Music with Bruski the Good Old Boy – PL
- April 26th
  - 2:00 April Birthday Celebrations Music with Karen Whittaker – PL

# Birchmere's LUNCH CLUB



## SHAWS PANCAKE HOUSE

**Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>  
11:30 AM – 2:00 PM**

*Please sign-up in advance with the  
Activity Department. Seats on the bus  
are limited – don't miss out!*

**\$\$ Please bring money for your  
meal (cash, debit, or credit)! \$\$  
Birchmere pays for the bus.**



We will have a different Lunch Club  
destination for next month! 😊



### RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS:

Dana T. – April 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Nancy C. – April 6<sup>th</sup>  
John V. – April 9<sup>th</sup>  
Helen F. – April 13<sup>th</sup>  
Madeline W. – April 20<sup>th</sup>  
Brenda S. – April 23<sup>rd</sup>

*Please help us celebrate everyone's  
birthday this month by joining us at our  
Birthday Celebration on April 26th  
in the Piano Lounge. Entertainment  
provided by Karen Whittaker and cake will  
be served.*

Check out our  
Birchmere  
FaceBook page



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### JOIN US FOR A CHURCH SERVICE IN THE PIANO LOUNGE

Guardian Angels Catholic  
Church Service  
Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am



Worship w/ Rev. Linda  
Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at  
2:00pm

*We're off to the races!*



*You are cordially  
invited to join us for:*

### TABLETOP HORSE RACING

*Every Saturday,  
At 1:30 PM  
in the Piano Lounge*

### Book Chat and Literary Tea

If you love books, socializing, and tea this event is for you! Come for a tour of our newly renovated library. Find a new book to read and join in some friendly discussion about the books we have read and the authors we love.

**April 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>  
At 2pm  
downstairs in the library.**



### The Ice Out Contest 2024

Thanks to Robert Knowles (a Naturalist who writes for Simcoe.com), he informed me that the date for ice-out on Lake Couchiching was Saturday, March 23, 2024.

Patrick S was the winner of the contest.

### Total Solar Eclipse



In Ontario, the solar eclipse is expected to start at 2:05pm and last for about two and a half hours on Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. Many parts of Ontario will experience a total eclipse (the sun is 100% blocked by the moon) at about 3:20 pm. Looking directly at the sun during an eclipse can cause permanent damage to your eyes. The only safe way to look directly at the sun is through specifically designed solar filters, eclipse glasses that are sold by authorized vendors.



**Red Fridays:**  
We wear RED on Fridays to support our troops; Remember Everyone Deployed!

**\*Please Support Resident Council\***

By shopping at:

### Birchmere Tuck shop

Open Every Thursday 10:00-11:30am

In the Piano Lounge

NO TAX!!!

- Cough drops, antacids, ChapStick, Kleenex
- Toiletries (shampoo/conditioner, lotion, toothpaste/toothbrushes, bodywash, soap, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, powder, combs, sanitary products, hair spray)
- Chips, popcorn, chocolate bars, trail mix, nuts, pop, mints, candies, gum,
- Laundry soap, dryer sheets and air freshener
- Greeting Cards, gift bags, stationary supplies, and gifts
- Clothing (socks, hats, t-shirts, scarves)
- And much more!