

## FUN FACTS ABOUT INDEPENDENCE DAY

On this federal holiday, marking the Colonies' adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, which declared independence from Great Britain and its king, we will share some fun facts about this historic day. Everyone is already familiar with the fireworks, parades, barbeque and festivities like picnics, fairs, concerts and parties that take place on this day, but there are some things many people don't know about the Fourth.

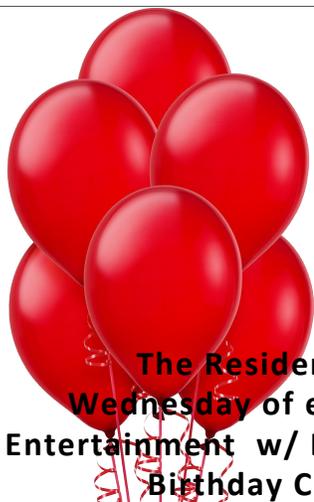
1. Congress made Independence Day an official unpaid holiday for federal employees in 1870. In 1938, Congress changed Independence Day to a paid federal holiday.
2. Only John Hancock actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. All the others signed later.
3. The Declaration of Independence was signed by 56 men from 13 colonies.
4. The average age of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence was 45. The youngest was Thomas Lynch, Jr (27) of South Carolina. The oldest delegate was Benjamin Franklin (70) of Pennsylvania. The lead author of The Declaration, Thomas Jefferson, was 33.
5. One out of eight signers of the Declaration of Independence were educated at Harvard (7 total).
6. The only two signers of the Declaration of Independence who later served as President of the United States were John Adams and Thomas Jefferson.
7. The stars on the original American flag were in a circle so all the Colonies would appear equal.
8. The first Independence Day celebration took place in Philadelphia on July 8, 1776. This was also the day that the Declaration of Independence was first read in public after people were summoned by the ringing of the Liberty Bell.
9. The White House held its first 4th July party in 1801.
10. President John Adams, Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe all died on the Fourth. Adams and Jefferson (both signed the Declaration) died on the same day within hours of each other in 1826.
11. Benjamin Franklin proposed the turkey as the national bird but was overruled by John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, who recommended the bald eagle.
12. In 1776, there were 2.5 million people living in the new nation. Today the population of the U.S.A. is 316 million.
13. Fifty-nine places in the U.S. contain the word "liberty" in the name. Pennsylvania, with 11, has more of these places than any other state. Of the 59 places nationwide containing "liberty" in the name, four are counties.
14. The most common patriotic-sounding word used within place names is "union" with 136. Pennsylvania, with 33, has more of these places than any other state.
15. Fireworks are part of the tradition of celebrating this national holiday. The U.S. imported \$227.3 million worth of fireworks from China in 2012. U.S. exports of fireworks, by comparison, came to just \$11.7 million in 2012, with Israel purchasing more than any other country (\$2.5 million).
16. In 2012, vast majority of imported U.S. flags (\$3.6 million) was made in China.
17. Barbecue is also big on Independence Day. Approximately 150 million hot dogs and 700 million pounds of chicken are consumed on this day.
18. Every 4th of July the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia is tapped (not actually rung) thirteen times in honor of the original thirteen colonies.
19. Traditions place the origins of "Yankee Doodle" as a pre-Revolutionary War song originally sung by British military officers to mock the disheveled, disorganized colonial "Yankees" with whom they served in the French and Indian War. It is believed that the tune comes from the nursery rhyme Lucy Locket.
20. The tune of the National Anthem was originally used by an English drinking song called "to Anacreon in Heaven." The words have nothing to do with consumption of alcohol but the "melody that Francis Key had in mind when he wrote those words did originate decades earlier as the melody for a song praise of wine."



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# BIRTHDAYS... WELCOME... INFORMATION...



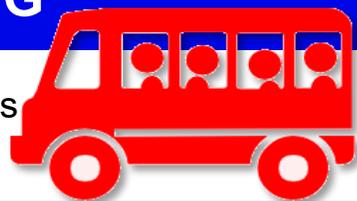
## Happy, Happy Birthday

Joanne R	7/4	Eleanor	7/13
Kerry P	7/4	Don E	7/17
Dora	7/8	Joanne S	7/29
Arlene	7/13	Normalee	7/30

The Resident's Birthday Party is the last Wednesday of every month, in the Dining Room. Entertainment w/ Larry sponsored by Compassion Care, Birthday Cake sponsored by CareMore.



# TRIPS, TOURS AND SHOPPING



Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays are Doctor Appointment Days  
Tuesdays & Thursdays Trips, Tours and Shopping

Day	Date	Time	Location of Activity
Tuesday	2	9:00 - 11:30	Wal-Mart - please arrive 10 minutes early to board bus
		2:15 - 4:15	The 99 Cent Store
Tuesday	9	9:00 - 11:30	Wal-Mart - please arrive 10 minutes early to board bus
Thursday	11	9:00 - 11:30	Trip to Bank, DMV and/or USPS
		2:15 - 4:15	Aliante Casino
Tuesday	16	9:00 - 11:30	Wal-Mart - please arrive 10 minutes early to board bus
		3:00 - 5:00	Outback Steakhouse
Thursday	18	9:00 - 11:30	Krispy Kreme & Deseret Thrift Store
		2:30 - 4:15	Smith's Grocery Store
Tuesday	23	9:00 - 11:30	Wal-Mart - please arrive 10 minutes early to board bus
		2:15 - 4:15	The Dollar Store & Dunkin Donuts
Thursday	25	9:00 - 11:30	Something NEW Freed's Dessert Shop
		2:15 - 4:15	Hobby Lobby, Target or Ross
Tuesday	30	9:00 - 11:30	Wal-Mart - please arrive 10 minutes early to board bus
		2:30 - 4:30	Cracker Barrell

## FRIED, BUT NOT FRENCH

July 13 is French Fries Day, but are these delicious fried potatoes actually French? Potatoes did not originate in Europe, but in South America. Spanish explorers brought them back to Europe, where they became beloved for their versatility, especially in France. Fried potatoes became a common street food in Paris—sold not as long fries but in chunks. It is said that Thomas Jefferson grew so fond of the food while acting as ambassador to France that he introduced fries to America via his kitchen in Monticello. It is in Belgium, however, that the history of *frites* began a century before France's fried potatoes. Frites (pronounced *FRITS*) are so dear a food to Belgium that in 2014 the country petitioned UNESCO to make the frite the official symbol of its cultural heritage. So when did Belgian frites become French fries? The story goes that American soldiers marching through French-speaking Belgium during World War I discovered the fried potatoes. In the Americans' confusion, they dubbed the newfound food *French fries*.



## ARE YOU A BELIEVER?

July 2 is World UFO Day. Whether you celebrate by watching reruns of *Star Trek* or hosting a sky-watching party in hopes of identifying an unidentified flying object, be sure to keep an open mind when considering that humans might not be alone in the universe.

There have been many recorded observations of strange flying objects throughout history, but it wasn't until 1947 that a UFO sighting captured the public imagination. Businessman Kenneth Arnold was flying a small plane near Mount Rainier in Washington when he spied nine objects flying together. He described them as looking "flat like a pie pan" and "saucer like." From his experience, the term *flying saucer* was born.

Did Arnold actually see an alien spaceship? The United States Air Force determined that Arnold saw a mirage. Yet in mid-1947, UFOs again captured the public's attention when a mysterious craft crash-landed at a ranch near Roswell, New Mexico. Representatives from the Roswell Army Air Field reported that the object was a high-altitude weather balloon, but the government has been accused of covering up an alien encounter ever since.

Is it just coincidence that the U.S. government began Project Sign in 1948? This project, conducted by the Air Force, was an investigation into UFO encounters in order to determine their veracity and whether or not any UFO was a threat to national security. The program lasted for 20 years and concluded that an alien UFO had never been observed. It seems that the public had to wait until 2017 before a Navy pilot, Retired Commander David Fravor, came forward with his firsthand account of what he believes was an alien UFO. Fravor was on a routine training mission off the coast of California in November of 2004 when a 40-foot-long wingless object, like a giant Tic Tac, sped past him. When asked to recall his experience, Fravor said, "I think it was not from this world."



# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR COMMUNITY



Thank you to Volunteers Leslie and Mary for providing us  
Thursday evenings with Raffle Prize Bingo



Our resident's garden is doing  
particularly well this year.  
Our peach and apricot trees are full!

# GET TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS

Jeanne Curtis was born in Orangeville Utah to Cora Sitterud and William Lyman Curtis. She was the 6<sup>th</sup> of 8 children, 5 girls; Lyman, Beatrice, Joyce "Dee", and Carol "Merlin" and 3 boys; George, Donald and William Lyman. Orangeville was a small town of less than 500 close knit residents. Her grandparents lived right across the street.

Jeanne recalls the home birth of her sister Joyce. It was in the kitchen on Christmas Eve. There was no doctor available, so her aunt Maggie acted as the midwife.

Jeanne's father was a farmer and the kid's would harvest kidney beans to help pay for the church tidings.

Growing up, Jeanne attended Orangeville Elementary and then South Emery High School in Ferron Utah.

Jeanne was a member of the Utah Pioneers. She enjoyed music and especially loved listening to Frank Sinatra and Perry Como. She says while she loved music, she could not carry a tune across the street in a paper bag. One of her most proud memories was when she and her sister Merlin won the Utah State Bowling Doubles Championship.

The most significant places for those who lived and grew up in Orangeville, was the "Old Social Hall". Jeanne recalls the readings, plays, and dances that would be held there. At that time, Jeanne's father was the primary promoter of the Social Hall Events. The Old Social Hall was an important component within the community of Orangeville and was recently commemorated.



Jeanne (top right) w/ her sisters.

Jeanne met her husband Ernest Warehame in High School and they married in Orangeville. Ernest served in the Navy and upon completing his military service he returned home and worked as an automotive repairman. Jeanne and Ernest had six children, Julie Anne, Carey Wayne, Rebecca Sue, Alisa Rae. She raised her children mostly on her own and says it was difficult. Sadly, she lost two of her children. Julie Anne passed at age 29 of breast cancer. She left 2 children Julie and Carey. Carey Wayne died of Brain cancer in 2017.

Jeanne recalls once working part-time in a nursing home. She was fired from this job. The lady who hired her had her dad as a resident. Jeanne took him home for breakfast and his daughter complained so Jeanne was fired.

Jeanne's Daughter Becky Linford brought Jeanne to Silver Sky at Deer Springs. She says the people of Silver Sky at Deer Springs are great and they are prompt and helpful when she needs them. She doesn't mix with others too much, but enjoys the company when she is able.

# RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Sundays	7:30 AM	Catholic Mass Channel 6 KVCW (TH)
Fridays	11:00 AM	Catholic Services w/Deacon Frank (MR) Rosary to follow service
Wednesdays	2:00 PM	Gratitude and Encouragement w/ Volunteer residents Myrna (TH)

## INDEPENDENCE DAY



**Celebrate July 4th**

We will be having a

**Barbeque**

Lunch on Thursday,

**July 4th**

**11:30 - 1:30**

## WHO'S WHO AT YOUR COMMUNITY

Robert Colbert R.N., R.F.A. - Vice President Assisted Living

Nicole Graham M.H.A., R.F.A. - Executive Director

Erin Leroux R.N. - Director of Wellness

Joe Leininger - Food Service Director

Dawn Lewis - Director of Community Engagement

Barbara Phillips - Activity Coordinator

Derrick Pino - Medication Care Specialist

Salvador Martinez-Valle - Sr. Lead Maintenance Tech

Shadé Momodu & Dyonne Peterson - Receptionists

Nancy Voag - Transportation

Office Hours:

Monday - Sunday 8:00AM - 6:00PM

If you have any questions,

Please call or come by,

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**Resident Council  
Is the Last Monday of the  
month at 2:00PM (MR)**



Independence Day falls on a Thursday, so the celebrations will start the day before and run through Saturday. The main fireworks over the Strip will go off at 9:15 on Saturday, July 6th, 2019, over Caesars Palace, with a smaller fireworks display from the Mandalay Bay.