



NEWSLETTER

April 2024

Elkins Rehabilitation & Care Center

March Employee of the Month



Ross Ellis

Sally Lykins

Juwanna Fortney

Ira Vandevender

Jewell Hoover

Resident Council has chosen Betty Woods as March employee of the month, Betty has been an employee of ERCC for 16 years. She previously worked at Reidbord Brothers Sewing Factory and Seneca Designs. She has been employed at ERCC for 16 years. She is originally from Belington, WV; and went to Belington High School. She currently lives in Elkins. She was twice married; once to Paul Monroe and they had four children. Paul II, Robin, and Marilyn. One daughter, Theresa is deceased. She later married Dick Wood. They were married for 37 years. Both husbands are deceased. She has 7 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. She is a member of the Church of the Nazarene and has been attending there since 1983. Betty enjoys her job as a Feeding Assistant and loves the residents and their families. She also loves spending time with her family. If you happen to see Betty, please congratulate her!

Shorty Erickson and Lee Canfield with Lee's Vintage Chevy

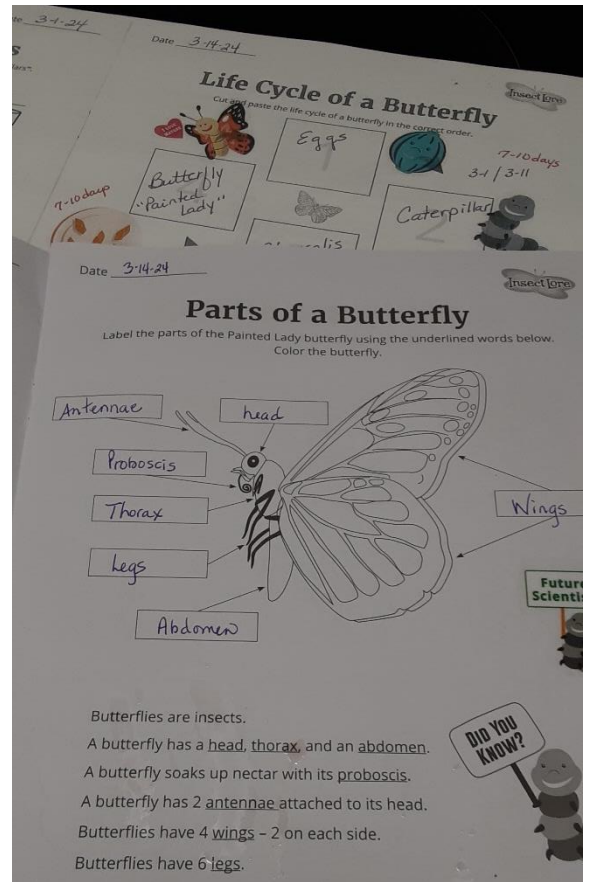
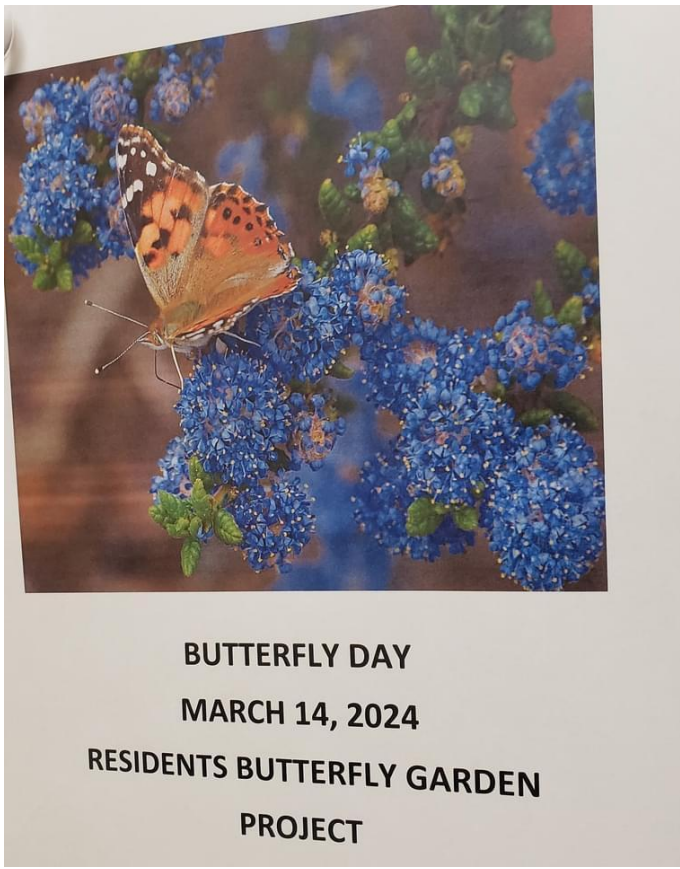




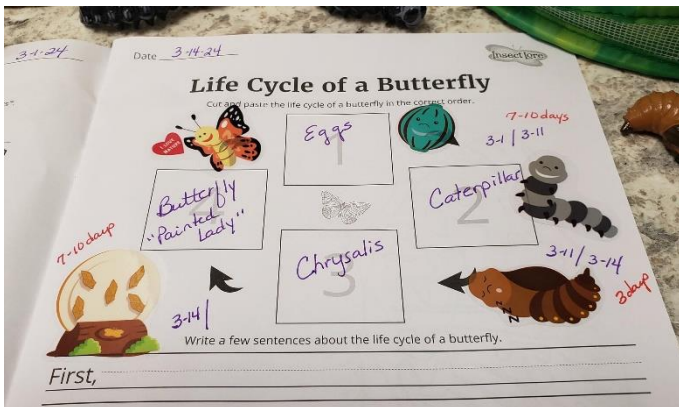
**LET'S
PLAY
BINGO!**



**Our residents enjoy playing
Bingo. They receive money for
credit in the gift shop and other
prizes when they Bingo. It's
always an enthusiastic time
when Donna Jones, the Director
of Activities plays Bingo.....If
she wins.....**EVERYBODY
WINS!!****

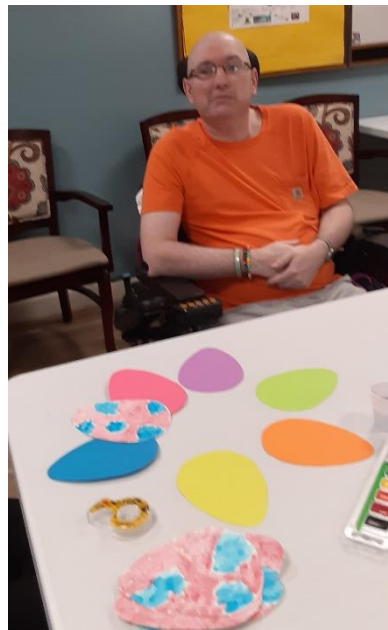


ERCC residents studied and raised butterflies
10 eggs---8 has hatched..

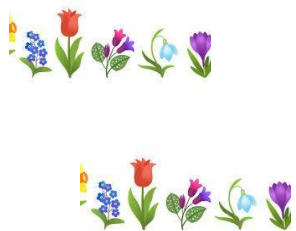
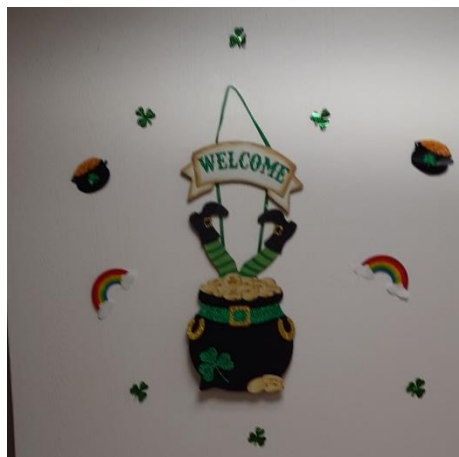




**RELEASING THE BUTTERFLIES
MARCH 22**



**EASTER WREATHS
WITH OLD BRICK**



Mexican luncheon Mar 13



DECORATIONS: Our facility is great in decorating for different holidays. Including our baker: Cheryl Gottschall.



Oreo Cookie Day March 6

Keeping Residents Safe- Use of Enhanced Barrier Precautions

A message from: Kelly Channell Infection Control Preventionist Nurse

Dear Residents, Families, Friends and Volunteers:

You will be noticing new signs on some doors that say "Enhanced Barrier Precautions" and staff wearing gowns and gloves more often. We're doing this based on new requirement from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention and CMS to protect our residents and staff from germs that can cause serious infections and are hard to treat. You may have heard these germs called multidrug-resistant organisms or MDROs in the news.

Studies have shown that more than 50% of nursing home residents have these germs on or in their body, especially in places where the skin is broken, such as wounds or insertion sites of medical devices like feeding tubes. Most of the time people never know they are carrying these germs but under certain conditions they can enter the body and cause serious infections.

This requirement will go into effect on April 1, 2024. If you have any questions please call Kelly Channell at 304-636-1391 ext. 249.

Sincerely,



Kelly Channell RN Infection Control/Preventionist Nurse

Enhanced Barrier Precautions

How We Keep Our Residents Safe



What's New

We are using Enhanced Barrier Precautions to help protect our residents from infection. You may notice:

- New signs throughout the facility
- Staff wearing gowns and gloves for high-contact care activities

Why We're Making These Changes

We are taking action to protect our residents from dangerous germs. These germs can cause infections that are hard to treat.

Enhanced Barrier Precautions allow us to provide safe, high quality care and help stop the spread of germs within our facility.



More than
50%
of nursing home residents carry a
multidrug-resistant organism.

How to Help When You Visit

You can help stop the spread of germs by cleaning your hands with alcohol-based hand sanitizer or soap and water.

Learn more about Enhanced Barrier Precautions:
bit.ly/PPE-NursingHomes

