



NEWSLETTER

April 2025

Elkins Rehabilitation & Care Center

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



Rebecca Casillas, C.N.A. (night shift)

Residents Council has chosen Rebecca Casillas, night shift C.N.A. as March employee of the month. Rebecca lives in Hevetia with her husband, Ruben and her fur babies: A Yorkie Doodle named Aragorn (four months old) and her cat, Precious (14 years old). She has three sons; Eliud, Luciano, and Michael. She also has one granddaughter, Annabel (three months old). She is originally from Lewis County and graduated from high school in 1992. She is the daughter of Betty Blake and has four bothers and two sisters. She has been an employee of ERCC for approximately seven years. She en

joys fishing, crocheting , reading and spending time with her family. ..especially her granddaughter! If you see Rebecca, be sure to congratulate her.

Birthdays in April

Robert Butcher

Christina Elbon

Ross Ellis

Jewell Hoover

Helena Liggett

Patrick Schoonover

Ira Vandevender

Freddy Watson

The monthly birthday party will be held in the dining room at 2PM on Wednesday, April 30. All residents are invited.



*The Lord is my shepherd,-
I shall not want. He maketh me to lie
down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul;
He guideth me in straight paths for
His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no
evil, for Thou art with me,-
Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou prepares! a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies;
Thou hast anointed my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and m^ercy shall follow
me all the days of my life;
And I shall dwell in the
house of the Lord
forever.*



Robert Edward Yothers Jr.

Date of Birth

Date of Death

March 21, 1966

February 17, 2025

Services at

Dryfork Assembly of God Church

February 22, 2025

2:00 PM

Officiating

Pastor Michael Trotta -

In.terment

Arch Spring Cemetery

Tyrone, PA

Funeral Services Provided By
Hinkle-Fenner Funeral Home
Davis, WY

ERCC would like to pay tribute to Pastor Bob Yothers, Jr. Pastor Bob joined our facilities (ERCC & Mountain Memories) in February 2023. Pastor Bob touched our lives so much with his kindness and sense of humanity. He made everyone's (residents and staff) day so much brighter. He took time to visit with the residents. He visited Tuesdays and Thursday and was available anytime he was needed. We are grateful and blessed by his presence in our lives.

Per Stanley Gould, President of Resident Council: "Pastor Bob made a profound impact while he was our Chaplain at ERCC. He will never be forgotten. He went above and beyond in his call of duties. He attended several activities and outings with the residents. He will surely be missed. Until we meet again, may you rest in peace. Pastor Bob"

Pastor Bob with our residents on Pastor Appreciation Day



Mardi Gras-ing with Old Brick!

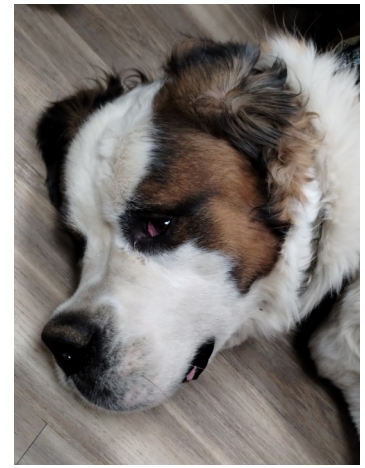


**FAT
TUESDAY**





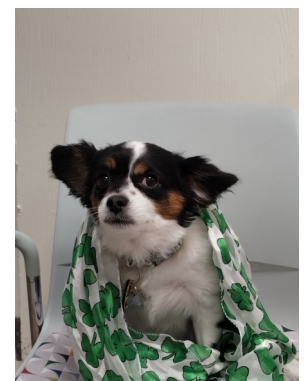
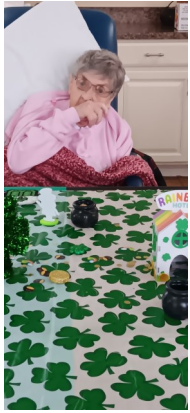
Bongo, a Saint Bernard, visited with the residents on Thursday, March 13. His owner, John Yoakum, plans on making more visits at ERCC.



YEAH!! Old Brick visits keeps our residents busy, busy busy! Springtime fun!!



Saint Patrick Day celebrations!





**Texas Tuesday was a great day!
Including the “vittles” !**

Standing in line for the “grub”



YUM YUM YUM



YIPPEE YAY! Look at Dayshift cow pokes and buckaroos!



Say Howdy to the nightshift cowpokes and buckaroos!! Hee-haw!!

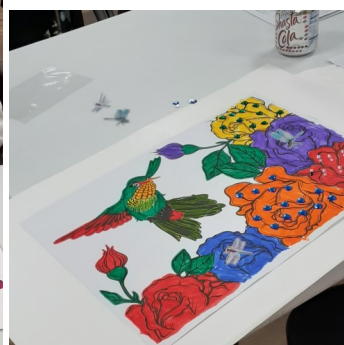
MORE FUN WITH OLD BRICK PLAYHOUSE!



National Cocktail Day 3/24/55 and Bingo



OLD BRICK MARCH 21





Random Memories.....of the good ole days

By: Mikie Dumire

I invite you to take a journey back to the good ole days. I will be sharing some of my memories with you. They may not all be exactly as you remember it; they are factual to the best of my memory. I hope you enjoy the journey with me.

Clackers,.....Clack.....Clack.....Clack....Clack....Clack...Clack.....Clack.....Clack.....Faster and faster and louder and louder. Did you have clackers? The toy Moms loved to hate. They were fun and entertaining and I didn't realize the parental torture until my son got a set. They resembled glass, but I am sure they were some type of acrylic. It was a handle with two balls suspended from them. The objective was to bounce them until you got them to continuously bounce and clack; and to keep it going for as long as possible without missing a stroke.



I never played jacks much, but both my sisters did. They were little metal barbed rubber ball. You bounced the ball and scooped up as many jacks as you could at a time. I don't even want to talk about when one didn't get picked up and Mom or Dad would step on it barefooted. OH BOY!!



jacks and a
I don't even

Back in the day, there was no Walmart, K-Mart or chain stores in town. We did have a few nice stores and a specialty shops. For women, Maxine's was the place. It was easily recognizable due to the fashionable lady painted on the side of the building.

The Smart Shop and the Style Shop both had nice things that was incredibly out of our budget. The Clothes Horse was even further removed from our budget. I loved keeping up with all the fashion through their window display. In addition to their lovely clothes they had a wooden horse that they incorporated into their display.

There were several shops and specialty shops. Each store had it's own unique qualities They have since been filled in, but there were at least two underground stores on Davis Avenue; one in the alley beside Beanders and one in the alley between Murphy's and the Drug Store. All the stores had their own unique qualities, they certainly were not "cookie cutter" stores.

Montgomery Wards had access from the outside to the "basement". That floor was the shoe department, vacuum cleaners, small appliances, etc. When I got married I got my vacuum from there. It was a green canister type Hoover and cost me a whopping \$19.99!

The main floor had some dressing rooms and primarily men's clothes. If you went up the main steps there was ladies clothes and "fancy" dressing rooms with lots of lights and mirrors. If you went to the left, was a short set of steps that took you to the next floor. My wedding dress came from there. Back down on the first floor was a short set of steps that went to the billing department. That was like a balcony. I loved to go up there and look down. The official name of the store was Montgomery Wards, some called it "Monkey Wards" and some even "Wards". In later years they expanded to a structure on the opposite corner to include an automotive department.

G. C. Murphy's had a lot of unique qualities. When you went in the front door on the Third Street side, there was a jumbled little corner that had a set of steps (employee only) a bathroom and a wooden pay telephone booth. As you came down that wall on the right was a bank of booths and then a long counter and stools for the snack bar. Oh, their food was so good. I remember an older lady that worked there, her name was Lou; and a young girl, Linda Ferguson. What workers those girls were. Off to the left of that was the candy section. It was glass and wood and beautiful. It held all kinds of delicious candy. There was a lady that stayed behind the counter all the time. Further left was several aisles of various merchandise; straight ahead was the steps going upstairs where there were lots and lots of toys and sundries. Or you could step right and go to the Davis Avenue entrance. There was a separate set of steps coming down. At the end of the steps if you turned left there was a small section of artificial flowers and a music center. We loved going through the records, especially the 33 1/3 LP albums. Oh what memories! The section that the Davis Ave entrance/exit had the housewares. All the floor appeared to be marble, very thick marble. Also, it is where the bathroom was located.

In the late 1960's, there was a fire that destroyed G.C. Murphy's, the drug store, and the Lamplight Restaurant. When G. C. Murphy was rebuilt, the fancy candy station was gone; so wasn't the marble floor. They were now

oiled. The steps were replaced with an escalator and Elkins G. C. Murphy's became known for the first pay bathroom. There was a lock box to deposit ten cents to get the lock to release. By the time Murphy's closed, it had gone up to a quarter.

W.T. Grant Company was located on Third Street across from G.C. Murphy's Company. Grants as it was referred to had its very own unique factors. When you opened the door you were greeted with the smell of freshly popped popcorn. Immediately to your left was a popcorn machine and you could get a huge bag of almost always stale popcorn for a quarter. Of course we always had to have one. Immediately to the right was the cash registers. One thing Grants and Murphy's had in common was a young girl named Lenora worked there—she was a sister to Linda at the Snack Bar at Murphy's. I also remember ladies by the names of Millie and Reenie; another lady, I think her name was Zetta.(or Zettie)

In front of you and slightly to the right was a huge, huge set of steps. They were very wide and looking up from the bottom it looked like they went on forever. Partway up was a landing. When you got to the top turning right, was a lot of material, sewing goods, yarn and other craft supplies. Toys were to the left and in front of you; extending out was clothing.

Back downstairs going straight from the front door were rows of tables. It held boxes of very well organized makeup, complete with eyeshadows and mascaras; also, combs, brushes, shampoos, and hairspray. (They got a lot of my money LOL).

Going on back towards the back of the store were the small animals. Goldfish, hamsters, gerbils, parakeets, etc. They had the coolest Silver Dollar Turtles. They were little green turtles that never got any larger than a silver dollar. They required very little care, but lots of pleasure watching them. They generally lived long lives. We kept them in little round plastic trays. It had humps and bumps in it to resemble rocks and hills. We cleaned the trays every day and care was minimal.

In the spring there were tubs and little fences put up in the animal section and you could purchase baby ducks and chicks of many different colors—blue, purple, yellow, pink, rainbow, etc.

There was one animal most people loved to hate!! She was always the star of the show and demanded a command performance. Her name was Diane and she was a monkey. I think Diane's favorite thing to do was to throw "poop" at the customers. She would jump around and laugh about it. Diane was at Grants for my whole childhood and even after I was married and had my son. When Grants closed in Elkins, Diane went to her new home at the antique store in Buckhannon. Every time I went to Buckhannon I went to visit her. I used to take my granny as she remembered her also from Grants.

I was going to write about this soon, but being I picked up the paper and saw Joe Shue's picture and obituary, I decided to at least touch on it.

Joe Shue had a bowling alley and restaurant on Third Street, next block down from Murphy's. You walked through the door and was greeted with all the sounds of a bowling alley and aroma of delicious food. When you went in there was the dining section. As you walked back there were, maybe, four steps and you were in the bowling section. It was open except for a rail to prevent people from falling off. There were several employees, but, Joe almost always waited on and served us. Children were always welcome. It was a delicious and fun place.

Thank you for taking another journey with me. I hope you had as many smiles reading it as I did remembering it. I leave you with these following words of wisdom: I think everyone wished for and was thrilled to get a K-Mart and WalMart. All the stores I wrote about are gone, and we have WalMart. "Be careful what you wish for, really is good advice."



Wishing everyone a very Blessed Easter holiday.



APRIL 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Activities Subject to Change ** Mail Delivery M-Sat. ** DR=DINING ROOM A=ACTIVITY ROOM O= OUTSIDE RR= Residents Room CR = CLASSROOM		1 APRIL FOOLS DAY 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day-A 1PM Church - C 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time - A 7PM Crafting - A	2 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 9:45AM Bible Study - A 1:30PM Chair Yoga -C 2PM Card Bingo - C 3PM Current Events - A 7PM Card Sharks - A	3 10AM Book Club -A 10AM Men's Circle Group - C 1:30PM Bingo -DR 2PM Donut Time - TBA 3PM Spa Time - A 7PM Crafting -A	4 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 10AM Residents Choice 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time -A 7PM Card Sharks -A	5 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day -A 2PM Bingo - DR 3PM Residents Choice 7PM Singin' Gospel Together - C
6 9AM Sunday Greetings 10AM TV Church Time -C 2PM Cookies & Coffee - A 3PM Residents Choice 7PM Movie Night -C	7 WORLD HEALTH DAY 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 10AM Ladies Circle Group -A 2PM Bingo - DR 3PM Puzzle Time - A 7PM Chair Yoga - C	8 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day-A 1PM Church - C 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time - A 7PM Crafting -A	9 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 9:45AM Bible Study - A 11AM - Ramp Dinner-DR 1:30PM Chair Yoga -C 2PM Card Bingo - C 3PM Current Events - A 7PM Movie Night -C	10 FARM ANIMALS DAY 10AM Book Club -A 10AM Men's Circle Group - C 1:30PM Bingo -DR 3PM Spa Time - A 7PM Crafting -A	11 NATL. PET DAY 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 10AM Residents Choice 1PM Cooking Hour - A 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time -A 7PM Card Sharks -A	12 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day -A 2PM Bingo - DR 3PM Residents Choice 7PM Crafting - A
13 Palm Sunday 9AM Sunday Greetings 10AM TV Church Time -C 1:30PM Church w/ Pastor Young - C 3PM Residents Choice 7PM Chair Yoga -C	14 NATL GARDENING DAY 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 10AM Ladies Circle Group -A 2PM Bingo - DR 3PM Puzzle Time -A 7PM Card Sharks - A	15 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day-A 1PM Church w/ Pastor John - C 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time - A 7PM Crafting -A	16 Wear P.J.s to Work Day 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 9:45AM Bible Study - A 11AM Pizza Luncheon - DR 1:30PM Chair Yoga -C 2PM Card Bingo - C 3PM Current Events - A 7PM Chair Yoga -C	17 Maundy Thursday 10AM Book Club- A 10AM Men's Circle Group - C 1PM Maundy Thursday Service -C 2PM Bingo -DR 3PM Spa Time - A 7PM Movie Night-C	18 Good Friday 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 10AM Residents Choice 1PM RCSC Dulcimer Grp - DR 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time -A 7PM Bowling - C	19 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day -A 2PM Bingo - DR 3PM Residents Choice 7PM Card Sharks -A
20 Easter Sunday 9AM Sunday Greetings 10AM TV Church Time -C 2PM Popcorn Buggy - A 3PM Residents Choice 7PM Movie Night -C	21 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 10AM Ladies Circle Group -A 1:30PM Resident Council - C 2PM Bingo - DR 3PM Puzzle Time -A 7PM Chair Yoga - C	22 EARTH DAY 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day-A 1PM Church - C 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time - A 7PM Crafting -A	23 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 9:45AM Bible Study - A 1:30PM Chair Yoga -C 2PM Card Bingo - C 3PM Current Events - A 7PM Card Sharks - A	24 10AM Book Club- A 10AM Men's Circle Group - C 11AM - Mexican Luncheon - DR 1:30PM Bingo -DR 3PM Spa Time - A 7PM Crafting -A	25 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 10AM Residents Choice 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time -A 7PM Card Sharks -A	26 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day -A 2PM Bingo - DR 3PM Residents Choice 7PM Crafting - A
27 9AM Sunday Greetings 10AM TV Church Time -C 2PM Ice Cream Floats - A 3PM Residents Choice 7PM Mt. View Nazarene Singers -DR	28 BLUEBERRY PIE DAY 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 10AM Ladies Circle Group -A 2PM Bingo - DR 3PM Puzzle Time -A 7PM Trivia Night-C	29 9AM Early Bird Greetings 10AM Spa Day-A 1PM Church w/ Pastor John - C 2PM Old Brick Folks 3PM Puzzle Time - A 7PM Crafting -A	30 OATMEAL COOKIE DAY 9:30AM Dancing Daffodils -RR 9:45AM Bible Study - A 1:30PM Chair Yoga -C 2PM Monthly Birthday Party-DR 3PM Current Events - A 7PM Card Sharks - A		OLD BRICK FOLKS TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS 2PM-4PM 	

30 Days of Kindness *this* April

..... Ordinary & Happy

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
31 	1 Bring coffee or snacks to work.	2 Give up your seat on public transport.	3 Send a kind message to a friend.	4 Donate clothes you don't need.	5 Run an errand for a loved one.	6 Ask friends and family if they need help with anything.
7 Write an uplifting comment on a friend's post.	8 Help a coworker with a project (if they need it).	9 Let someone go ahead of you in line at the store.	10 Donate books to your local library.	11 Get coffee for the next person in line after you.	12 Volunteer at a shelter.	13 Volunteer at a retirement home.
14 Send an inspirational message to a friend.	15 Give someone a book you've read and enjoyed.	16 Send a thank you email to someone who helped.	17 Send someone a care package.	18 Check in on your parents and grandparents.	19 Check in on your friends over the holiday weekend.	20 Host an Easter potluck (or bring food to one).
21 Say 5 positive things to people today.	22 Plan a surprise for a friend.	23 Take a friend to the movie theater.	24 Send someone a bouquet of flowers.	25 Plan a family board game night.	26 Participate in a beach or park clean-up.	27 Make an extra batch of cookies for a neighbor or a friend.
28 Hold the door open for someone.	29 Make dinner for a friend or family member.	30 Do something kind for yourself.	<div> <div>1</div> <div>2</div> <div>3</div> <div>4</div>  </div>			