



THE STAR NEWS

April Edition – 2026

Staff Spotlight

Meet April!

April is a Certified Medication Aide here at Eastern Star Nursing Home. She has worked here just over two years; worked here as an agency staff member as a CNA before becoming an OES employee as a CMA.

April previously worked for Grape Tree Nursing Agency as a CNA and worked for a variety of different Nursing Homes including Wisconsin, and Good Samaritan in Waukon. She has been working as a CNA since 2004, and as a CMA since 2005.

In her free time, April enjoys fishing, camping, and spending time with her family. She enjoys thrifting, cooking, and baking. April also attends concerts from time to time and enjoyed taking her son to see Katy Perry last year. April has TLC with Salt-N-Pepa in her eyesight for the Iowa State Fair this year!

Favorite Part of Eastern Star?

"The small, home like atmosphere and the time that I am able to give and spend with the resident's. I enjoy the long talks I get to have with them about their day, their families, and the genuine care that they have for the staff."







ENTERTAINMENT

Music:

2nd: Music with Josh Vorvick @ 2pm
6th: Tim the Music Man @ 10am
6th: Dave Poggenklass @ 3pm
13th: Gary Froiland @ 2pm
18th: Tromboneota @ 10:30am
22nd: Jack Norton @ 2pm
23rd: Kent Larson @ 2pm
29th: Muse Hour @ 2pm

Programs:

3rd: Bunny Hop Social & Easter Bunny Visits @ 2pm
20th: Volunteer Appreciation Hour @ 2pm
27th: Larry Reis: Birds & Nature in South Florida
29th: Resident Council @ 1:30pm
30th: Peace Corp Presentation by George & Joann Hagen @ AL MPR

Church Services:

1st: Good Shepherd Church @ 10am
3rd: Virtual Good Friday Church Service @ 4:30pm
5th: Virtual Easter Church Service @ 4:30pm
8th: First Lutheran Church @ 11am
15th: Decorah Lutheran Church @ 11am
16th: Catholic Mass @ 3:30pm
22nd: Zion Lutheran Church @ 11am

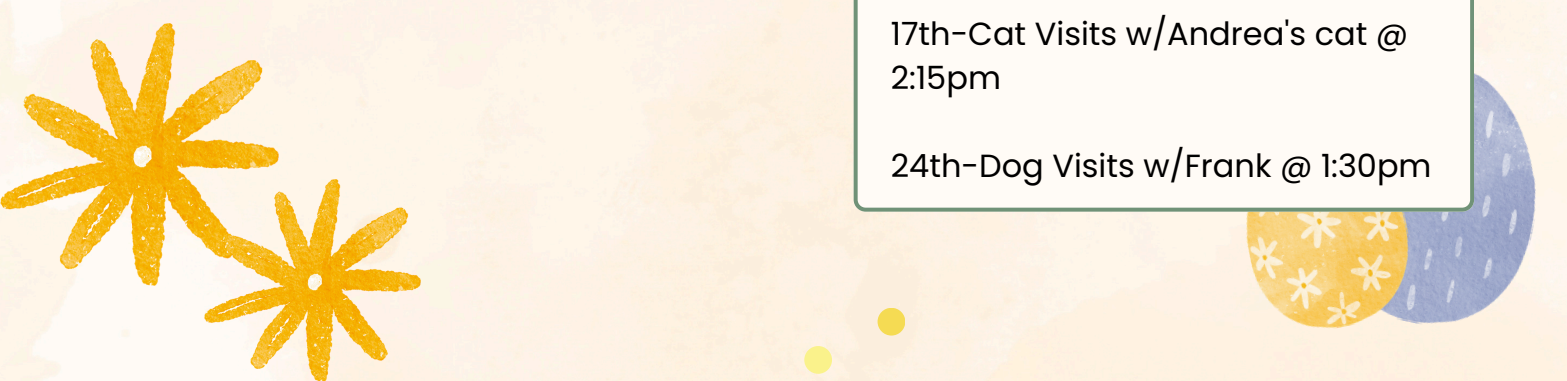
ROSARY THURSDAYS w/Phyllis @ 9:30am

April is Pet Month!

10th-Puppy Visits w/Finn @ 2pm & Roger @ 2:30pm

17th-Cat Visits w/Andrea's cat @ 2:15pm

24th-Dog Visits w/Frank @ 1:30pm





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Resident Birthdays:

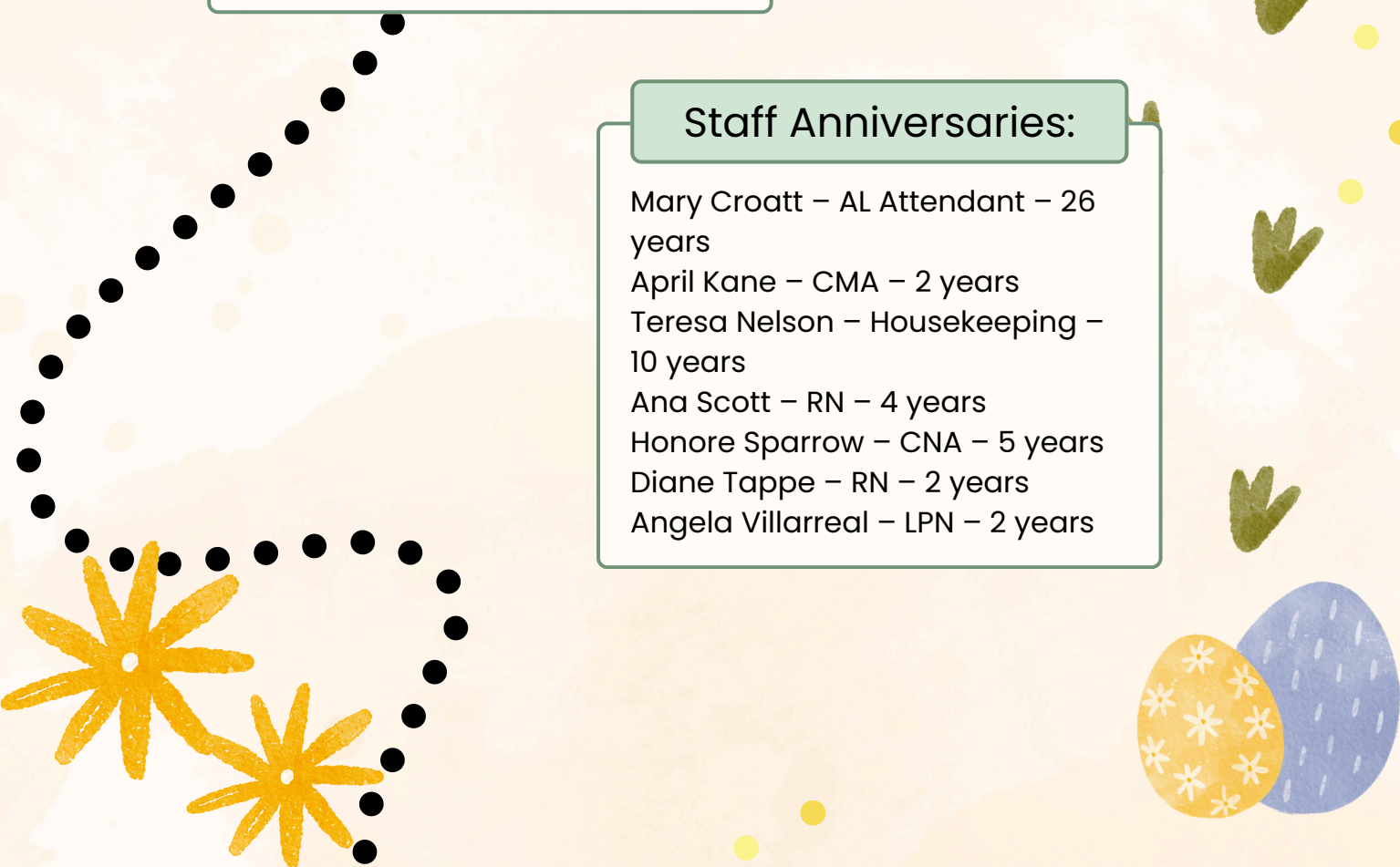
2nd: Marilyn Holland
5th: Jo Winkie
10th: Grace Billiet
30th: Lois Baumler

Tenant Birthdays:

1st-James Iverson
2nd-Don Roby
25th-Diann Martin
27th-Joan Rulon
27th-William Wiltgen

Staff Anniversaries:

Mary Croatt – AL Attendant – 26 years
April Kane – CMA – 2 years
Teresa Nelson – Housekeeping – 10 years
Ana Scott – RN – 4 years
Honore Sparrow – CNA – 5 years
Diane Tappe – RN – 2 years
Angela Villarreal – LPN – 2 years





Easter RESERVATIONS

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RESERVE A
SPACE FOR EASTER AND/OR TO EAT
OUR EASTER DINNER PLEASE GET
YOUR RESERVATIONS IN BY APRIL 1ST

HAM
POTATOES
CARROTS
ROLL
PIE

TO RESERVE: CALL CRYSTAL @
563-382-8787 OR EMAIL:
CMUCHOW@EASTSTARDEC.COM

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?



Can you believe we built snowmen in March??



AL Tenants had Show & Tell!



Sister Luv performed!



We made pie to kick off the 1st day of Spring!

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8th graders stopped by to fly kites with our Tenants!

Learned all about Fly Fishing with Larry Reis!



Had a wonderful Palm Sunday Church Service.



ST. PATTY'S DAY PARTY!



We served Rueben Pizza & Irish Toasty Pizza!

NH residents had social hour!



AL Tenants enjoyed music!

Got a little wild in the Beauty Shop!

