



*Our Roots  
Run Deep  
IN OUR  
COMMUNITY*

JULY 2025

## Management TEAM

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## A word from your ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Residents, Families and Staff,

I hope you are all well and enjoying the warm days of summer. July brings with it a spirit of celebration, togetherness, and reflection, and here at Grand Oaks of Okeechobee, we are embracing all three.

As temperatures rise, we kindly remind everyone to stay hydrated and wear sun protection when outdoors. Our staff is always available to help ensure that residents remain comfortable and safe during these hot days.

As we move into the heart of summer, I want to take a moment to share our updates, celebrations, and reflections for the month ahead. Our July calendar is filled with enriching activities planned by our activities coordinator, Kim! July Highlights

- WJ & Friends
- July 4th Party
- Bealls & Nutmegs
- Happy Hour
- Purple Iris Tea Room & Lake Placid Museum

We are excited to celebrate Independence Day on July 4th, a time to celebrate the birth of our nation. It is a day rooted in the ideals of freedom, unity, and resilience—values that continue to inspire us today.

As always, my door is open. Please reach out to me or to management with any questions, concerns, or suggestions. Our goal is to continue building a community where everyone feels heard, supported and at home. Wishing you all a joyful, safe, and celebratory July.

*Sabrina Cook*

Sabrina Cook,  
Administrator



Chef's  
SPECIAL

BBQ CHICKEN  
SANDWICH



New Move-Ins  
WELCOME!



Pulled BBQ chicken meat on a fresh  
toasted Brioche bun, served with a side  
of sweet potato fries.

Gregory





# Random Facts & Figures About Our Nation's Birthday.



According to legend,

## BETSY ROSS



American flag as commissioned by the Congressional Committee.

→ in **1776**

## Independence Day

was first celebrated in

### Philadelphia

## July 8<sup>th</sup>

# 1776.



The **1<sup>st</sup>** public **Fourth of July** event at the **White House** occurred in

# 1804.



## JULY 2, 1776

was the initial date the declaration of **INDEPENDENCE** was approved.

Congress revised the the Declaration for

**final** approval on **JULY 4, 1776.**



## Barbecue Cookout!

There are an estimated **150 MILLION** cookouts that take place on the **Fourth of July.**



## Watermelon

is an essential food for a traditional **Fourth of July** celebrations.

Last year, **Florida** led the nation in watermelon production with **818 million pounds!**

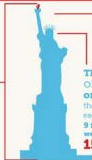


From the ground to her torch,

the

## Statue of Liberty is 305 feet tall

That's a little taller than an entire football field standing up!



During a restoration in

~ **1986** ~

the new torch was covered with thin sheets

There are **7 rays** on her crown, one for each of the seven continents, each measuring up to **9 feet** in length and weighing as much as **150 pounds.**

## 24k GOLD.



# July 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		9:15a Walmart 1 9:30p Porch Talk 10a Adult Coloring 11a Price is Right <b>2p WJ &amp; Friends</b> 3p Crochet Corner 4p Game Choice	9:15 Sit & Fit 2 9:30p Porch Talk 9:45a <b>Town Hall</b> 10a <b>BINGO!</b> 1:30p Arts & Crafts 3p Dominoes 4p Scrabble	9:15a Walkie Talkie 3 9:30a <b>Activity Mtg.</b> 10a <b>Concentration!</b> 11a Price is Right 1:30p Penny Poker 3p Puzzle Variety 4p Uno	9:30p Porch Talk 4 10a Adult Coloring 11a Price is Right <b>1:30p 4th of July Party!</b> 3p Yahtzee 4p Build a Word  Independence Day (U.S.)	9:30a Porch Talk 5 10a Spot the Diff. 11a Word Challenge 1:30p Mini Craft 3p Uno 4p Crosswords
Canada Day						
9:30a Porch Talk 6 10a Concentration! 11a Church Svc. 1:30p <b>BINGO!</b> 3p Dominoes 4p Movie in LR	9:15a Sit & Fit 7 9:30p Porch Talk 10a Penny Poker 11a Price is Right 1:30p Rummikub 3p Scrabble 4p Puzzles	9:15a Walmart 8 9:30a Porch Talk 10a Adult Coloring 11a Price is Right <b>1:30p Chocolate Celebration!!</b> 3p <b>Crochet Corner</b> 4p Game Choice	National Sugar Cookie Day 9 9:15a Sit & Fit 9:30p Porch Talk 10a Arts & Crafts 11a Price is Right 1:30p <b>BINGO!</b> 3p Dominoes 4p Scrabble	9:15a Walkie Talkie 10 9:30a Porch Talk 10a <b>Concentration!</b> 11a Price is Right 1:30p Penny Poker 3p Puzzle Variety 4p Uno	9:30a Porch Talk 11 <b>9:30a Bealls &amp; Nudnugs!</b> 10a Adult Coloring 11a Price is Right 3p Yahtzee 4p Build a Word	9:30a Porch Talk 12 10a Spot the Diff. 11a Word Challenge 1:30p Mini Craft 3p Uno 4p Crosswords
9:30a Porch Talk 13 10a Concentration! <b>11a Communion Service</b> 1:30p <b>BINGO!</b> 3p Dominoes 4p Movie in LR	9:15a Sit & Fit 14 9:30p Porch Talk 10a Penny Poker 11a Price is Right 1:30p Rummikub 3p Scrabble 4p Puzzles	9:15a Walmart 15 9:30p Porch Talk 10a Adult Coloring 11a Price is Right <b>2p Boho Birthday!</b> 3p <b>Crochet Corner</b> 4p Game Choice	National Cherry Day 16 9:15a Sit & Fit 9:30a Porch Talk 10a Arts & Crafts 11a Price is Right 1:30p <b>BINGO!</b> 3p Dominoes 4p Scrabble	9:15a Walkie Talkie 17 9:30a Porch Talk 10a <b>Concentration!</b> 11a Price is Right 1:30p Penny Poker 3p Puzzle Variety 4p Uno	9:30a Porch Talk 18 10a Adult Coloring 11a Price is Right <b>1:30p Happy Hour!</b> 3p Yahtzee 4p Build a Word	9:30a Porch Talk 19 10a Spot the Diff. 11a Word Challenge 1:30p Mini Craft 3p Uno 4p Crosswords
9:30a Porch Talk 20 10a Concentration 11a Church Svc. 1:30p <b>BINGO!</b> 3p Dominoes 4p Movie in LR	9:15a Sit & Fit 21 9:30a Porch Talk 10a Penny Poker 11a Price is Right 1:30p Rummikub 3p Scrabble 4p Puzzles	9:15a Walmart 22 9:30a Porch Talk 10a Adult Coloring 11a Price is Right <b>1:30p Banana Spills!</b> 3p <b>Crochet Corner</b> 4p Game Choice	9:15a Sit & Fit 23 9:30a Porch Talk 10a Arts & Crafts 11a Price is Right 1:30p <b>BINGO!</b> 3p Dominoes 4p Scrabble	9:15a Walkie Talkie 24 9:30a Porch Talk 10a <b>Concentration!</b> 11a Price is Right 1:30p Penny Poker 3p Puzzle Variety 4p Uno	9:30 Porch Talk 25 <b>10a Purple Iris Tea Rm &amp; TP Museum</b> 11a Price is Right 1:30p LCR 3p Yahtzee 4p Build a Word	9:30a Porch Talk 26 10a Spot the Diff. 11a Word Challenge 1:30p Mini Craft 3p Uno 4p Crosswords
9:30a Porch Talk 27 10a Concentration! 11a Church Svc. <b>1:30p Family Bingo!</b> 3p Dominoes 4p Movie in LR	9:15a Sit & Fit 28 9:30p Porch Talk 10a Penny Poker 11a Price is Right 1:30p Rummikub 3p Scrabble 4p Puzzles	9:15a Walmart 29 9:30p Porch Talk 10a Adult Coloring 11a Price is Right <b>1:30p Root Beer Floats!</b> 3p <b>Crochet Corner</b> 4p Game Choice	9:15a Sit & Fit 30 9:30a Porch Talk 10a Arts & Crafts 11a Price is Right <b>1:30p BINGO!</b> 3p Dominoes 4p Scrabble	National Avocado Day! 31 9:15a Walkie Talkie 10a Cornhole 11a Price is Right 11a Bible Study <b>1:30p Avocado Time!!</b> 3p Puzzle Variety 4p Uno		

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Activities are subject to change when necessary!







## Employee SPOTLIGHT

### SALLY HERNANDEZ *Nurse Manager*



Sally is our Nurse Manager here at Grand Oaks. She is originally from Canton, Ohio. She moved to Florida right after high school, she has been in Florida for over 40 years but in Okeechobee for less than a year. She has been married for 38 years and has two grown children and two granddaughters!

Sally enjoys fishing, campfires, traveling, and cooking. But her favorite thing is shopping with her granddaughters!

Sally volunteered for over 30 years with the veterans. As a nurse at Grand Oaks, she gets to spend time with our residents and learn all about their lives and what their life was like in their younger years. "I just adore them and cherish every one of their stories!"

She is a great asset to us at Grand Oaks!



# WORD SEARCH

I N D E P E N D E N C E D A Y  
G A L F N A C I R E M A B V X  
M Y R T E B V M S W B W Q B R  
O Y L U Q M L K H X E W Z M L  
D V L U K P R I P D L D R D B  
E B Q W J O T W A M Y R P Z P  
E J G G W E L R T Y P Y R R G  
R M J E Q J A B D P M J Y L Z  
F D R D J P G W L N L M M Y L  
D I Y V Y Z P D P B G T Y B L  
F K R N Y V D E R M D M T D Y

AMERICAN FLAG

RED

WHITE

BLUE

INDEPENDENCE DAY

FIREWORKS

PARADE

FREEDOM

JULY





## Calendar Spotlight



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*July 4th*

**Fourth of July Party**  
1:30pm



*July 15th*

**Boho Birthday Party**  
2:00pm



*July 18th*

**Happy Hour**  
1:30pm



*July 27th*

**Family Bingo**  
1:30pm

