Easy, Breezy Springtime Crafts

Spring has arrived, so get in the swing of things and celebrate the new season with these fun and simple crafts.

Festive florals — Whether fresh or faux, nothing says spring like flowers. Dress up a plain vase or a clean, empty jar to display them in. Add stripes or other geometric designs with patterned tape, or glue on a piece of colored tissue paper or a swatch of fabric.

Rainy day welcome — Fill a pair of brightly colored rain boots with artificial flowers or greenery, then set the display by the door to welcome in spring.

Yarn-wrapped eggs — Eggs are popular as a symbol of the season. Wrap strands of yarn or embroidery floss around wooden, plastic or foam eggs, then display them in a bowl or tray.

Spring garland — Use watercolors to paint several sheets of blank paper, letting the colors swirl together to create a marbled pattern. Once the paper dries, cut raindrop, egg or flower shapes out of the paper, then punch a hole in each shape and loop them all on a string. Hang the garland above a doorway or across a shelf.

St. Patrick's Day Fun!

We had a blast celebrating St. Patrick's Day and learning all about the history of Ireland!



The Vinyl Revival

After decades of playing second fiddle to cassettes, CDs and music streaming services, vinyl records are once again climbing the charts to the top. Vinyl sales recently beat CD sales for the first time in nearly 40 years.

Streaming platforms are still the No. 1 way most of us listen to music. But more and more people are getting into the groove of vinyl for a truly special, immersive listening experience. It's the reason why current artists now release new albums as well as their early work on vinyl, and why acclaimed albums from classic bands and singers continue to be bestsellers.

Many music fans say vinyl records have a fuller, warmer sound than songs that have been compressed into a digital file. And often, playing a record feels like a beloved ritual that encourages mindful, attentive listening. Buying a record is also part of the experience, from searching store bins for a hidden gem to admiring an album's artwork and reading the liner notes.



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Simple Moves To Stay Fit

Along with tried-and-true forms of low-impact physical activities, such as walking, water aerobics and chair yoga, there are quick and simple exercises you can do throughout your day to stay fit and flexible. Incorporate these moves into your routine.

Head turns: Say yes to this easy neck stretch that just involves shaking your head no! Stand or sit up straight. Turn your head slowly to the right until you feel a slight stretch and hold it. Then turn to the left.

Shoulder rolls: Seated or standing, gently rotate your shoulders up toward the ceiling, then to the back, and lastly down again. Switch and roll your shoulders forward.

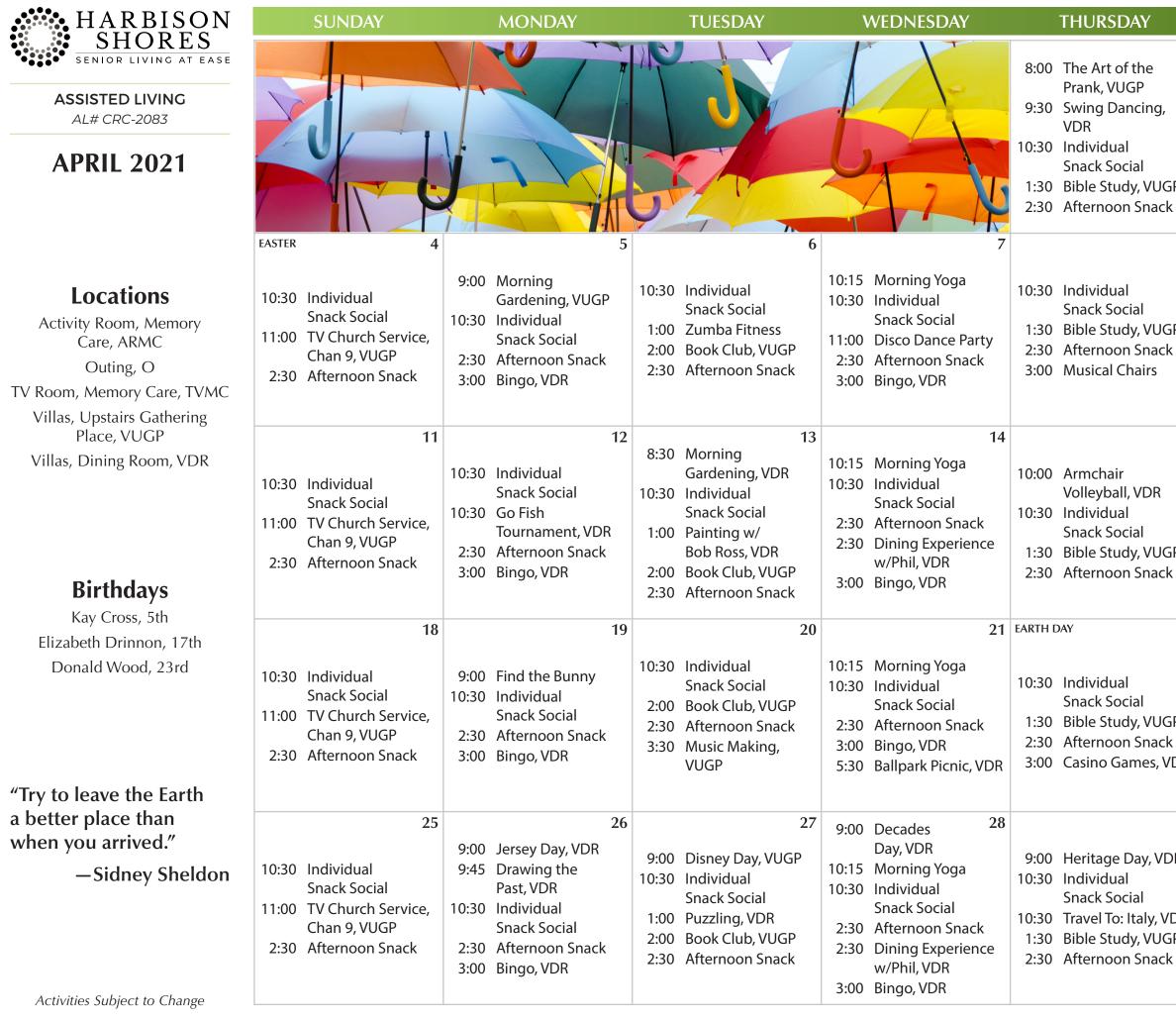
Marching in place: Boost your balance by highstepping it! Stand up straight, lift your right knee as high as you can, lower it, then lift your left knee. Repeat 20 times.

Toe lifts: This move strengthens your legs and improves balance. Stand behind a chair or counter, holding on to it for support. Raise yourself up on your tiptoes, hold, then lower your heels back to the floor. Aim for 10 to 15 reps.

Ankle rolls: These help improve circulation while sitting in a chair. Lift your right foot off the floor and rotate your ankle to the right five times, then rotate it to the left five times. Repeat with your left foot.

Go to the National Institute on Aging's website, *NIA.NIH.gov*, to find more guidance on exercises for older adults. Check with a health care professional before starting new physical activities.





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