

## Leadership Team E-Mails

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## Brain Bending Fun



1. If John's son is my son's father, who am I?

2. What starts with a P, ends with an E, and has a million letters in it?

1. I am John. Your son's father is you.  
2. The answer to the riddle is – Post Office

## February Birthdays

If you were born between February 1–18, you are Aquarius, the Water Bearer. Witty, clever, and honest, Water Bearers desire independence above all and are not afraid to deviate from the crowd to pursue their own interests.

Those born between February 19–28 are Pisces, the Fish. Selfless, spiritual, and intuitive, Pisces swim on an inner journey. They are emotional, compassionate people who are always willing to help others.

Langston Hughes (poet) – February 1, 1902  
Ina Garten (cook) – February 2, 1948  
James Dean (actor) – February 8, 1931  
Jimmy Durante (actor) – February 10, 1893  
Toni Morrison (author) – February 18, 1931  
Sidney Poitier (actor) – February 20, 1927  
Steve Jobs (innovator) – February 24, 1955  
Jackie Gleason (actor) – February 26, 1916  
Elizabeth Taylor (actress) – February 27, 1932

## Team Members Birthdays

2/7 Martha T  
2/14 Ashley F  
2/21 Christine D

## February “Workiversaries”

2/15 Toyin O (14 years)  
2/27 Varna Q (23 years)

## Residents Birthdays

2/7 Deb S (Wilder)  
2/8 Blaise J (Wilder)  
2/10 Ann M (Lilac)  
2/15 Toya C (Lilac)  
2/19 Cheryl V (Wilder)

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## Celebrating February

### Black History Month

**Groundhog Day**  
February 2

**Thank a Mail Carrier Day**  
February 4

**Wear Red Day**  
February 7

**National Flannel Day**  
February 10

**Valentine's Day**  
February 14

**Cherry Pie Day**  
February 20

**Caregivers Day**  
February 21

**Wedding Trends Day**  
February 28

## A Note from our Executive Director



Resident Handbooks will be ready for distribution next week! I will be holding a handbook review meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup>. Check your calendars for specific times. We are onto the end stages of painting for house 2 and hope to get started in house 1 in March. CRPs were distributed by 01/31/25. You or your designated representative should receive your CRP in person or by mail within the next week. If you misplace or do not receive your CRP by the end of February, please let me know and I would be happy to get you a new copy.

- Latoya Turner, LALD



## Please Welcome Our Newest Team Members to Prairie Lodge

Amber Longworth – Resident Assistant

Ida Wally – Resident Assistant

Miyah Monk – Resident Assistant

DaNiya Williams – Dining Assistant

Jesse Frost – Cook

Sarah Schaefer – Cook

Rachel Smith – Registered Nurse

Kevin Williams – Dining Supervisor





Residents and team members dressed to impress on days this month such as, strange sock day, hat day, and sports day.



We stay busy during the colder days with cooking up homemade soup, getting artistic and painting away, bean bag games to keep the body moving, and a sensory taste test just for fun.



Getting to know...  
**Bernetta C.**



I was born in Pensacola, Florida and was the third of eight children. In 1979, at age 23, I left Florida to move to Minnesota for a summer job. I worked at First National Bank, which is now known as US Bank. I have worked in a variety of areas at the bank, such as, accounting, teller, customer service, and the safe deposit box person.

In 2010, I retired from banking and went into part-time retail, which I always seemed to be doing on the side. In 2012, I decided I wanted a change so for the next seven years, I worked as a special need's bus driver.

For fun, I would go out dancing. I went to Elk's over on the north side. I loved dancing and having a couple cocktails.

In 2019, I was unable to work anymore and was on disability. I spent a month in Rochester, then transferred to the estates of Fridley, when in turn brought me here to Prairie Lodge. I am here now, with all my friends, and working hard with PT to achieve my own personally goal of living on my own again.

**Favorites**  
Food – Soul Food  
Music – Blues and R&B  
Dream Destination – Las Vegas