

Oaks August Activity Descriptions

Baking Club: Kolaches - Join us in the kitchen as we roll up our sleeves and bake traditional Czech kolaches in honor of our Travel Day to the Czech Republic! These sweet, fruit-filled pastries are a beloved cultural treat, and we'll be preparing them fresh to be served with lunch the following day. Come for the camaraderie, the hands-on baking, and the delightful smells—stay for a taste of Czech tradition!

Bean Bags (Resident Led) – Get ready for some friendly competition at our resident-led Bean Bags game! Join fellow residents for a fun and casual game, perfect for staying active and socializing. Supplies are conveniently located upstairs by the NuStep bike—just grab a set and let the games begin

Bible Study with Faith Lutheran - Led by pastors from Faith Lutheran. Enjoy a time of scripture, reflection, and discussion in a welcoming and uplifting environment. All are welcome to participate!

Bingo – Come see if luck is on your side at a community favorite!

Blackjack – Back by popular demand! Try your luck and test your skills at our lively Blackjack game—with a special guest dealer joining the fun. Whether you're a seasoned player or learning the ropes, come enjoy the friendly competition, laughter, and casino-style excitement!

Cards (Resident Led) - Join us for a fun card game session! Residents will choose the game, so bring your favorite ideas or learn something new. It's a great way to connect, relax, and enjoy friendly competition.

Cash Wise Grocery – Place your weekly grocery order online or by phone for

delivery. Life Enrichment team members are available to assist.

Ceramics with Lindy - Join our talented Clinical Director, Lindy, for a special step-by-step ceramics painting class! No experience needed—just come ready to have fun, get creative, and enjoy a relaxing time with fellow residents. All supplies provided. Let's paint something beautiful together!

Checkers (Resident Led) - Challenge your friends or sharpen your skills in this classic strategy game! Checkers is perfect for friendly competition and keeping your mind active while having fun. All skill levels are welcome to join the fun!

Coffee & Snack - Daily social gathering with coffee and individually wrapped snacks in the dining room.

Common Threads – Players are given sets of four words and earn points by identifying how the words are connected.

Concession Stand – Stop by the Concession Stand for a classic treat! Enjoy free popcorn, candy, and soda while you mingle with friends or grab a snack to go. Whether you're staying to chat or just picking up a favorite treat, this is a perfect way to add a little fun to your day!

Craft: Cookie in a Jar – Layer up some sweetness! Join us as we create beautiful “Cookie in a Jar” mixes—perfect to take home, gift to a friend, or share with someone special. These charming jars will also be given to Gina to offer as thoughtful treats to tour prospects. A fun, hands-on activity that's as meaningful as it is delicious!

Craft Corner (Resident Led) - Bring your own craft or art project to work on in a creative, social atmosphere. Coloring sheets will also be provided. Join fellow residents for a

relaxing and fun time making art together at your own pace!

Cranium Crunches - Challenge your brain with two types of visual puzzles! In Concentration Puzzles, use visual hints to decode hidden messages. Then, test your wit with Wacky Wordies — clever wordplay puzzles that visually represent common phrases or sayings. Can you figure them all out?

Devotions with Shawn – Non-denominational spiritual study.

Dining Menu Committee - Pull up a chair and let your voice be heard! In this new program, residents are invited to meet with our Dining Manager to discuss upcoming menus, share ideas, and offer feedback. Help create a dining experience everyone can enjoy!

Dog Days Guessing Game – The dog days of summer are upon us, and this game is sure to be a tail-wagging good time. Dogs are pack animals and often know their fellow pack members quite well. In this game, you'll find out how well you know the pack you're playing with by trying to guess how many other players will relate to the prompts given. The closer you guess to the correct number, the more points you can earn to win this game.

Ecumen Wellness – Join us for our signature exercise program!

Evening Bingo – Come see if luck is on your side at a community favorite!

Golf Card Game (Resident-Led) - Join fellow residents for a friendly round of the classic Golf card game. Easy to learn and full of fun—bring your best strategy and enjoy!

Ice Cream Social! - Indulge in sweet treats and delightful company at our Ice Cream Social! Enjoy an ice cream treat while

connecting with friends and creating cherished moments. A simple way to brighten your day!

Kendell's Big Band - Back by popular demand! Kendell's Big Band returns to fill the Pines dining room with toe-tapping tunes and timeless favorites. After their crowd-pleasing performance at our holiday party, we're thrilled to welcome them back for an evening of lively music and great memories. Don't miss this special performance!

Lions – King of the Jungle – From The Lion King to the Cowardly Lion, these big cats capture our imaginations with their strength and dominance. Lions are very adaptable and fierce, but it is their unique social structures that allow the species to survive.

Manicures – Relax as we clip, file, and paint your nails each week.

Melodies From the Yellow Brick Road – The 1939 film The Wizard of Oz captivated audiences with its colorful visuals and unforgettable music. Let's sing, sway, and skip down the yellow brick road as we enjoy some of the movie's magical melodies.

Men's Group: Would You Rather - Conversation starters tailored to help men connect over shared interests and experiences, fostering a sense of community and camaraderie.

Morning Coffee (Resident Led) – Join us for a relaxed and social gathering, enjoy a hot cup of coffee, and connect with friends. It's a perfect way to kick off the morning with conversation and good company!

Movie Night - See digital signs for specific movies each week, Tuesday/Wednesday Movie Night movies are played on the common area TV's upstairs.

Music with Pastor Adam - Enjoy an uplifting time of music and fellowship with Pastor

Adam as he shares favorite hymns and spiritual songs. A meaningful and joyful experience for the soul — all are welcome to sing along or simply listen and reflect.

New Menu Food Demonstration – Get a sneak peek—and a taste—of what’s coming to our dining room this September! Join us for a special food demonstration where our culinary team will be showcasing a few delicious dishes from the new menu. Come sample, share your thoughts, and get excited for the fresh flavors ahead!

Oaks Birthday Social – Resident Requested! Let’s gather to celebrate those born in August!

Out to Eat: Niesen’s Bar & Grill - Join us for a casual dining outing to Niesen’s Bar & Grill in Biscay! Known for its hometown charm and hearty comfort food, Niesen’s offers the perfect spot to relax, enjoy a meal, and share good conversation with friends. Come hungry and ready for a fun lunch out!

Outing: County Fair – We’re off to the county fair! Enjoy a classic summer outing filled with sights, sounds, and smells of fair fun—from farm animals and food stands to live entertainment and local exhibits. There is no charge for admission, so bring your sense of adventure and let’s make some memories together!

Outing: Much in Hutch Part 2 – Mural Tour, Clay Coyote & Below Zero - Join us for a resident-requested adventure exploring the vibrant art scene of Hutchinson! We’ll tour as many of the town’s 30+ murals as we can, taking in the creativity and color that decorate our community. We’ll end the outing with a sweet stop at Below Zero ice cream parlor. Don’t forget your camera — this outing is full of photo-worthy moments!

Outing: Shopping Around Hutch - Weekly shopping trip to the store of your choice! Sign up on the bulletin board.

Phase 10 - Join us for a friendly game of Phase 10—a rummy-style card game full of fun twists and turns! Easy to learn and perfect for all skill levels, this game is great for keeping your mind sharp while enjoying some social time. New players always welcome!

Pizza Party! (Resident Led) – It’s pizza time! Join us for a resident-led Pizza Party, organized through the Resident Planning Committee. Sign up on the bulletin board to reserve your spot. Pizza will be delivered from Domino’s, and the cost will be approximately \$3–5 per person (exact amount will be announced day-of). Melanie will collect payment. Come enjoy great food and even better company!

Resident Meeting – Held monthly. Please contact Melanie Z. with any agenda items you may have.

Resident Planning Program - Share your ideas and help shape July’s activities! This empowering session gives you the opportunity to suggest and plan programs that interest you most. Let your voice inspire our calendar!

Skip-Bo – Come join us for a friendly round (or two!) of Skip-Bo—a fun and easy-to-learn card game full of strategy and surprises. Whether you’re a longtime fan or a first-time player, all are welcome to play, laugh, and enjoy some great company!

S’mores Party - Get ready for a sweet treat! We’re serving up classic s’mores with gooey marshmallows, melted chocolate, and crunchy graham crackers. Join us for a cozy gathering filled with laughter, sticky fingers, and the simple joy of this beloved treat. Don’t miss out—it’s s’more fun with friends!

St. A’s Communion - Catholic communion from St. A’s parish. Every Sunday morning.

Summer Lawn Games Take 2 – You don’t have to be a child to enjoy playing outside in the summer. In fact, for some games, it helps to have a few years of experience on your side. Here’s your chance to play. Go for it and have a blast!

Tic Card Game (Resident Led): A fast-paced and fun group card game where players race to collect four cards of the same number or suit. Once a player has four of a kind, they subtly place a finger on the table — other players must quickly follow! The last person to notice gets a letter — spell "TIC" and you’re out! Great for laughs, observation skills, and friendly competition.

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Universal Yums: Czech Republic - Explore a box of snacks and candies from a different country every month. The products are delicious, unique, and often extremely difficult (or even impossible) to find in the United States. But there’s more than incredible Yums. Each month we’ll also discover an interactive guidebook to steer your adventure – including trivia, games, recipes, culture, and more!

Visits with Carrie – Social interaction in your apartment with Carrie.

Walking Club - Step into wellness with us! Residents are invited to meet Emily by the gazebo for a refreshing group walk. Walking together not only promotes physical health, but also boosts mood, motivation, and social connection. Whether you’re out for exercise or good conversation, every step counts when we walk as a group!

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Worship with Christ the King - Lutheran - Faith Lutheran/Christ the King service and communion rotation.

Yahtzee (Resident Led) - Enjoy the classic dice game with friends, where strategy and luck combine for a fun and competitive experience. All are welcome to participate!

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500 (Resident Led), Tuesdays - Full of strategy and teamwork! Whether you're playing solo or with a partner, try to outscore your opponents and enjoy a friendly game of this classic card favorite. All are welcome to join!

Aggravation (Resident Led), 8/13 & 8/27 – Join fellow residents for a fun and friendly game of Aggravation! This classic board game is all about strategy, a little luck, and plenty of laughs. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, come check it out and enjoy some great company!

Baking Club: Kolaches, 8/5 - Join us in the kitchen as we roll up our sleeves and bake traditional Czech kolaches in honor of our Travel Day to the Czech Republic! These sweet, fruit-filled pastries are a beloved cultural treat, and we'll be preparing them fresh to be served with lunch the following day. Come for the camaraderie, the hands-on baking, and the delightful smells—stay for a taste of Czech tradition!

Bell Choir, 8/5 – Per resident request, Carrie will be leading this handbell ensemble to ring recognizable music with melodies and harmonies.

Bible Study with Faith Lutheran, 8/21 - Join the pastors from Faith Lutheran to learn about the bible.

Bingo, Fridays – Come see if luck is on your side at a community favorite!

Blackjack, 8/23 – Back by popular demand! Try your luck and test your skills at our lively Blackjack game—with a special guest dealer joining the fun. Whether you're a seasoned player or learning the ropes, come enjoy the friendly competition, laughter, and casino-style excitement!

Cash Wise Grocery, Thursdays – Place your weekly grocery order online or by phone for

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Ceramics with Lindy, 8/16 - Join our talented Clinical Director, Lindy, for a special step-by-step ceramics painting class! No experience needed—just come ready to have fun, get creative, and enjoy a relaxing time with fellow residents. All supplies provided. Let's paint something beautiful together!

Chinese Checkers (Resident Led), 8/6 & 8/20 - Navigate your pieces across the board and try to outsmart your opponents in this engaging and classic game. A great way to connect and enjoy some friendly competition!

Coffee & Snack, Daily - Daily social gathering with coffee and individually wrapped snacks in the dining room.

Common Threads, 8/7 – Players are given sets of four words and earn points by identifying how the words are connected.

Communion with Pastor Paul – Peace Lutheran, 8/15 - Pastor Paul from Peace Lutheran will be here to provide communion.

Concession Stand, 8/22 – Stop by the Concession Stand for a classic treat! Enjoy free popcorn, candy, and soda while you mingle with friends or grab a snack to go. Whether you're staying to chat or just picking up a favorite treat, this is a perfect way to add a little fun to your day!

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Dining Menu Committee, 8/4 – Pull up a chair and let your voice be heard! In this new program, residents are invited to meet with our Dining Manager to discuss upcoming menus, share ideas, and offer feedback. Help create a dining experience everyone can enjoy!

Dog Days Guessing Game, 8/26 – The dog days of summer are upon us, and this game is sure to be a tail-wagging good time. Dogs are pack animals and often know their fellow pack members quite well. In this game, you'll find out how well you know the pack you're playing with by trying to guess how many other players will relate to the prompts given. The closer you guess to the correct number, the more points you can earn to win this game.

Ecumen Wellness, Monday/Wednesday/Fridays – Join us for our signature exercise program!

Evening Bingo, 8/20 – Come see if luck is on your side at a community favorite!

Farkle (Resident-Led), Saturdays – NEW! – By popular resident request, join us for a game of Farkle led by one of our own! This exciting dice game blends strategy and chance, making for a lively and friendly competition. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, come enjoy great company and some resident-led fun!

Hearts (Resident-Led), Thursdays - Join fellow residents for a fun game of Hearts! This classic card game is easy to learn and offers

plenty of opportunities for friendly competition and strategy.

Ice Cream Social!, 8/8 - Indulge in sweet treats and delightful company at our Ice Cream Social! Enjoy an ice cream treat while connecting with friends and creating cherished moments. A simple way to brighten your day!

Introduction to Play 9 with Marlene (Resident-Led), Fridays - Curious about Play 9? Join Marlene for a fun, resident-led introduction to this easy-to-learn card game! She'll go over the basic rules and help teach others how to play. It's a great opportunity to learn something new, enjoy some laughs, and connect over cards. All skill levels welcome!

Kendell's Big Band, 8/11 - Back by popular demand! Kendell's Big Band returns to fill the Pines dining room with toe-tapping tunes and timeless favorites. After their crowd-pleasing performance at our holiday party, we're thrilled to welcome them back for an evening of lively music and great memories. Don't miss this special performance!

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Mass/Communion with Father Paul, 8/1 - Catholic - Communion with Father Paul from St. A's

Men's Group: Would You Rather, 8/14 - Conversation starters tailored to help men connect over shared interests and

experiences, fostering a sense of community and camaraderie.

Mexican Train Dominoes (Resident Led), Mondays - Strategy and luck come together! Players build their trains with dominoes, aiming to be the first to finish. It's a fun, social game that's easy to learn and perfect for friendly competition. All are welcome to play!

Morning Coffee (Resident Led), Thursdays - Join us for a relaxed and social gathering, enjoy a hot cup of coffee, and connect with friends. It's a perfect way to kick off the morning with conversation and good company!

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Phase 10, 8/28 - Join us for a friendly game of Phase 10—a rummy-style card game full of fun twists and turns! Easy to learn and perfect for all skill levels, this game is great for keeping your mind sharp while enjoying some social time. New players always welcome!

Pines Birthday Social, 8/28 – Resident Requested! Let's gather to celebrate those born in August!

Resident Council (Resident Led), 8/5 – This resident-led council provides a space for open discussion on community life, concerns, and ideas. Created at the request of residents, the group meets independently to share thoughts and work together on topics they wish to bring forward to community leadership. A meaningful way to promote communication, collaboration, and resident voice.

Resident Meeting, 8/12 – Held monthly. Please contact Melanie Z. with any agenda items you may have.

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SomeTimes FunTimes Committee, 8/13 - Share your ideas and help shape June's activities! This empowering session gives you the opportunity to suggest and plan programs that interest you most. Let your voice inspire our calendar!

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