

Thornton Manor

February 2026



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Ash Wednesday

February 18th, 2026

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent. Its official name is "Day of Ashes," so called because of the practice of rubbing ashes on one's forehead in a sign of a cross. The ashes symbolize death and repentance.



"God loves us, even in our dustiness"
-Unknown

Happy Birthday



THORNTON MANOR
Rosanne Sweeney 13th

THORNTON HEIGHTS
None
STAFF
Danica Janzen 3rd



Presidents Day

February 16th



Happy Groundhog Day!

I don't know about you,
but I feel like stretching
into an early spring!



February 2nd

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY

Feb. 8th



Valentine's Day

WORD SEARCH

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LOVE
CUPID
SWEETHEART
RED

VALENTINE
PINK
CARDS
FEBRUARY

FLOWERS
CRUSH
HEARTS
HUGS

CANDY
FRIENDS
KISSES
CHOCOLATE

DEPARTMENT HEADS

SAM KUHN

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BRENT HARTLEY

Maintenance and



Mardi Gras

Mardi Gras refers to events of the Carnival celebration, beginning on or after the Christian feasts of the Epiphany (Three Kings Day) and culminating on the day before Ash Wednesday, which is known as Shrove Tuesday. Mardi Gras is French for "Fat Tuesday", reflecting the practice of the last night of eating rich, fatty foods before the ritual Lenten sacrifices and fasting.

Date: 17 February 2026

Significance: Celebration period before fasting season of Lent

Celebrations: Parades, parties

Frequency: Annual



"I really need to start wearing clothes this time of year."



February is International Recreational Therapy Month

Recreational therapists purposely use Recreation (like games, activities, and outings) to help people with illness or other disabling conditions to improve to their highest functioning in these areas:

- 1 Social
- 2 Physical
- 3 Cognitive
- 4 Emotional
- 5 Independence

HAPPY NEW YEAR: Residents, tenants, family, and staff kicked off the New Year celebrating with live entertainment by J.R. Brink. We included treats, party favors, Happy Hour and champagne as the special drink, and a count down to the New Year 2026 with noise makers.



A huge thank you to Kim Timmerman for giving staff massages as her birthday treat! We are so lucky to have you on our team. We appreciate you very much!



Entertainment for the month of February:

- Feb. 6th Joe Cody at 10am
- Feb. 10th Emma Blank at 10:am
- Feb. 13th "Anything Goes" at 1:30pm
- VALENTINES DAY PARTY!**
- Feb. 19th Dylan Harris at 1:30pm
- Feb. 23rd Jay Hoffman at 10Am
- Feb. 28th Tom Baker



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