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**Celebrating August**

**Read-a-Romance Novel Month**

**Happiness Happens Month**

**Boomers Making a Difference Month**

**International Clown Week**  
*August 1-7*

**Homemade Pie Day**  
*August 5*

**International Lefthander's Day**  
*August 13*

**Root Beer Float Day**  
*August 6*

**Elvis Week**  
*August 9-17*

**Senior Citizens Day**  
*August 21*

**Women's Equality Day**  
*August 26*

**Dates to Remember**

**Baruch Senior Ministries Anniversary**  
**"Rock-A-Thon"**  
**Wed., Sept. 28**

**Family Bowling Day Fundraiser**  
**(Oct. date TBA)**

**Pop Can Drive! Drop Off**

**Returnables Aug. 8-12 ONLY!**

(Put them in the trailer behind Bldg. 3)



**Early Bird Bash!**

**Tuesday Aug. 9 – 5:30-7:30pm**

**\$10 / person**

**Early sale access**

**Hot Dog basket**



**Ice Cream treat**

**Music**

**\*Bring a lawn chair, friends & family**



Fundraising efforts to benefit a new outdoor area for our memory care.



“Yummy S’mores”

A peaceful and pleasant evening roasting marshmallows, singing to campfire songs & sharing Summer traveling stories.



## Chain Reaction

Your stomach might start to growl when you learn that August 24 is Iconic American Restaurants Day. This is a day to appreciate those perennial restaurant chains that have graced the American restaurant landscape for decades. Howard Johnson’s. Beefsteak Charlie’s. The Red Barn. Sizzler. And yes, even McDonald’s.

If some of these restaurants don’t sound familiar, that might be because so many iconic restaurants are regional. Friendly’s restaurants—137 of them—were once found up and down the East Coast. In the mid-1990s, 200 Luby’s Cafeterias could be found in and around Texas. One person’s beloved restaurant chain is another person’s head-scratcher.

What makes an American restaurant iconic, anyway? A recognizable logo? A classic menu? The sheer number of restaurants? Perhaps an iconic restaurant chain offers a place that provides all the trappings of a home-cooked meal out on the road.

## Bargain Hunters



The second week in August is Bargain Hunting Week, but where can you find a bargain these days? According to experts, there are always deals to be had, if you know when and where to look.

Restaurants are often the least crowded on Tuesday, so they offer two-for-one or kids-eat-free deals to lure customers. Grocery stores often receive new deliveries each week, so you’re more likely to find discounted meats and produce on delivery day. Electronics retailers will start stocking new models in April, so shoppers often find great deals on year-old models throughout the spring and summer. Experts swear that the best airfare prices can be found at 3 p.m. on a Tuesday, as all airlines race to match discounts offered by the major airlines the previous Monday.



## Hole in One

The first Saturday of August is Disc Golf Day. On the holiday last year, it is estimated that thousands of golfers threw 732,152 shots on 209,113 tournament holes. So, if you decide to play a round of disc golf today, you certainly won't be alone.

August has always been a banner month for disc golf. The first national disc golf tournament, the American Flying Disc Open, was held on August 2, 1974, in Rochester, New York. Organizers hoped to attract both disc golfers and Frisbee enthusiasts by offering a brand-new car to the tournament champion. The success of the Open established disc golf as a new national pastime.

August 12, 1997, marks another important date in disc golf history. Famed toymaker "Steady" Ed Headrick, inventor of the Frisbee and founder of the Professional Disc Golf Association, invented the chain basket device that acts as the "hole" in disc golf. Upon Ed's death in August 2002, his ashes were incorporated into a select number of flying discs, ensuring that he would play his beloved game forevermore.





### Thriving in God's Protection

Our focus for the month of August is Thriving in God's Protection. Isaiah 43.2 is the verse we will use to focus on God's protection. We read, "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you".

In Isaiah chapter 42, we see God reminding the Israelites they are his "chosen people in whom he delights" (v. 1) and in verse 6, he tells them he "will take you by the hand and keep you.." As chapter 42 continues, God also reminds Israel of their failure to hear and see what God is doing in their life. In chapter 43, God reminds Israel that in spite of their failure to hear and see, God has redeemed them and called them by name. He will not allow them to be overwhelmed or consumed by the waters and fires of life.

We see examples of God's people thriving in his protection. Exodus 14 tells of how, at the Red Sea, God parted the waters for his people to pass through and then let them fall upon the Egyptians, drowning them. In Joshua 3, God held the waters of the Jordan River back while the priests stood there with the Ark of the Covenant until all the people had passed through the river. We see God's protection of Daniel and his friends from the heat of the fiery furnace in Daniel 3. All throughout scripture, God is protecting his people.

I challenge you to ask yourself how you are thriving in God's protection this day, this week, this month. Are you feeling overwhelmed, consumed? If so, remember, God has called you and he is transforming you with the power of His redeeming grace.

Rest in his grace,

Chaplain Val



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**Our hot patio just got a little shade. Enjoy the new additions on the front patio with your family or friends anytime! We are still raising funds to add a connector sidewalk or patio to building 3!**

