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Chit Chat

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If You Look For Me At Christmas

*If you look for me at Christmas,
You won't need a special star.
I'm no longer just in Bethlehem,
I'm right there where you are.
You may not be aware of Me.
Amid the celebrations.
You'll have to look beyond the store,
and all the decoration.
But if you take a moment,
From your list of things to do.
And listen to your heart, you'll find
I'm waiting there for you,
You're the one I want to be with,
You're the reason that I came.
And you'll find Me in the stillness,
As I'm whispering your name.*

Love, Jesus

By: Valerie Kingsbury





Happy Birthday, December Residents



- 1. Vivian D. 12/1
- 2. Deborah J. 12/2
- 3. Patricia G. 12/3
- 4. Virginia J. 12/4
- 5. Mable W. 12/5
- 6. William R. 12/5
- 7. Nancy R. 12/7
- 8. Mary B. 12/16
- 9. Nora H. 12/17
- 10. Rebekah L. 12/25
- 11. Sandra C. 12/27

Staff December Birthdays

- | | | |
|------------------|------------|-------|
| 1. Kimberly M. | Dietary | 12/3 |
| 2. Jin L. | Nursing | 12/6 |
| 3. Bethany O. | EVS | 12/8 |
| 4. Diana U. | Nursing | 12/9 |
| 5. Ann J. | Nursing | 12/10 |
| 6. Jocelyn S. | Activities | 12/11 |
| 7. Kaitlyn H. | Nursing | 12/12 |
| 8. Janice A. | Nursing | 12/15 |
| 9. Jacqueline S. | Nursing | 12/18 |
| 10. Sylvia S. | Nursing | 12/19 |
| 11. Ebony T. | Nursing | 12/21 |
| 12. Angela G. | Nursing | 12/24 |
| 13. Sherry V. | Dietary | 12/24 |
| 14. Brittany H. | Nursing | 12/24 |
| 15. Victoria S. | Nursing | 12/24 |
| 16. Dorothy L. | Security | 12/25 |
| 17. Hyein K. | Dietary | 12/30 |
| 18. Hezron N. | Nursing | 12/31 |

Staff December Anniversaries

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|-----------------|-------------|-------|---------|
| 1. Sharon W. | Nursing | 12/10 | 23yrs. |
| 2. Katina C. | EVS | 12/5 | 13 yrs. |
| 3. Raymond E. | Maintenance | 12/4 | 11 yrs. |
| 4. Dawn E. | Accounting | 12/10 | 10 yrs. |
| 5. Holly W. | Nursing | 12/30 | 9 yrs. |
| 6. Chris A. | Accounting | 12/19 | 6 yrs. |
| 7. Stephanie F. | Nursing | 12/7 | 3yrs. |
| 8. Denise R. | Nursing | 12/19 | 3yrs. |

Board Members

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Jacob Bennett

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And Laundry
Theresa Gebhardt

Facility Operations
Robert Watson

Human Resources
Diana George

Medical Director
H.S. Sim
Nursing
Cassie Evering, RN

Director of Business
Operations
Keith Streett

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Renata Truant, RN

Social Work
Diane Brusco,

Volunteers / Public
Relations
Janet McDonald



Volunteer News



Meet BORDY Our Newest Therapy Dog!

Volunteer, Marianne is now bringing in her wonderful dog "Bordy" for all of you to enjoy. He is a lover and likes to be petted.



So when you see this handsome boy walking through the halls just call out his name "Bordy" and he will come right to you spreading love and sunshine wherever he goes! Thank you Marianne for sharing your wonderful friend with us.

Volunteer Opportunities

Memory Care Unit: Assist the activities staff member with activities on the unit. 2-3 days a week, 11am-3pm preferred. Mondays at 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm bingo helpers are needed to watch cards and help place chips on the cards. This is also needed on Thursdays at 6pm-8pm to assist our activity staff and residents with bingo. .

All volunteers applying must submit to background check and provide a copy of Covid vaccination. If interested please contact Janet McDonald 410-942-2112 to get registered. If already a registered volunteer and you can assist please contact Janet.



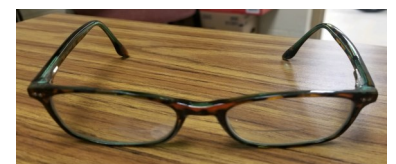
Citizens Donation for Alzheimer's Foundation.

Citizen's is happy to donate a grand total of \$ 4,640.00 to the Alzheimer's Association as we work together to help rid our society of this terrible disease . Many, many thanks to everyone who helped us reach this generous amount.



Lost and Found

Glasses found on Bay Lane unit. Located in the Volunteer office. With bifocals.





Staff News, Achievements & Recognitions

Congratulations Siny



Siny celebrates five years as an LPN here at Citizens. We are glad to have you Siny and thank you for your hard work and dedication to our residents.

Welcome to the Citizens Family



Kahayilia B. & Jacqueline S.

Attention all Staff Members

Christmas Carol Bingo Starts on December 18th for staff. Be listening for the carols that are played during the day. Don't worry if you are not here a list of the Carols will be placed up at the time clocks.

Also let's see how smart you are with a little Christmas Trivia. When you here the questions over the load speaker be the correct caller with the correct answer. If you are not the correct caller but you have the right answer keep calling until you here the announcement that we have the winners for that question. Once you win and you are next to the phone try to win a prize for a co-worker. Everybody have fun and good luck.



Hayre de Grace Lighthouse all decked out for Christmas. We are so fortunate to have such a beautiful little town as Hayre de Grace to call our home.



Don't forget Staff to work on your In-Services. There are about 7 months to complete your classes. Please don't wait till the very end and then be at the last minute trying to finish them.

*He who does not hold Christmas in his heart,
will not find it under a tree!*



CHRISTMAS

WORD SEARCH

Find the words listed below and circle them.

O	B	W	R	E	A	T	H	O	P	S	C
R	A	C	H	O	L	L	Y	U	R	T	H
N	F	I	R	E	P	L	A	C	E	S	I
A	E	G	I	X	W	Y	Z	V	I	N	M
M	F	D	B	A	G	I	F	T	N	O	N
E	H	I	B	E	L	L	S	E	D	W	E
N	K	J	O	B	G	C	F	D	E	M	Y
T	G	I	N	G	E	R	B	R	E	A	D
L	M	N	S	L	E	I	G	H	R	N	Y

- GIFT
- BELLS
- RIBBON
- GINGERBREAD
- SLEIGH
- REINDEER
- FIREPLACE
- SNOWMAN
- HOLLY
- WREATH
- CHIMNEY
- ORNAMENT

Karen's Korner December 2024



This month is a favorite one for many folks. The first holiday of the month is the 1st, which is the beginning of Advent. This holiday marks that it will be 4 weeks till Christmas.

On the same day as Christmas our Jewish friends celebrate Hanukkah. This 8-day holiday commemorates the occasion when Maccabees destroyed the Jewish temple. After all of this had passed, in 215 AD there remained only enough oil to light the lamps for 8 nights, hence the origin of the menorah with 8 candles to celebrate the holiday.

Despite the cold weather we had at the end of November, December 21st is the first day of the winter solstice this year. I hope your Thanksgiving was terrific and that you have a spectacular Christmas and New Year in 2025.

Christmas will be here sooner than you think!

Resident Council still needs your donations and support to achieve our goal of \$3600.00 to be able to buy each resident a gift at Christmas.

Won't you please help us by donating any amount or by donating your time to help us wrap all of these gifts. We are trying to make Christmas Morning be as nice as it possibly can be for our resident. Thank You in advance for your help and support.



Silly Elf Jokes

What do elves use when they hurt their legs? Candy Canes!

How many Elves does it take to change a light bulb? 10, one to change it and 9 to stand on one another's shoulders.



Movie Line Up for December

DECEMBER

3rd, Movie 6:30 pm—The Great Gatsby, Spring 1922, New Yourk City, A decadent playground of shifting morals, glittering jazz, bootleg empires and skyrocketing stocks.

4th, Movie 6:30 pm—Annie, played in the Chesapeake Room.

6th, Movie 6:30 pm—Christmas with the Kranks,

7th, Movie 4:00 pm—Puzzle, After years of concerning herself exclusively with the needs of her husband and sons, Agnes has found something that she wants to do: puzzling.

8th, Movie 4:00 pm— Barbara Streisand and Seth Rogen are the perfect comedy duo as they embark on one Mother of a road trip

9th, Movie 6:30 pm— Guys and Dolls, Starring several of Hollywood's Legends and Talents are dazzling in this Frank Loesser (How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying) enjoy this smash hit film version of one of Broadway's most popular hits.

10th, Movie 6:30 pm— It Happened on 5th Avenue, No one is inside that boarded up old mansion on Manhattan's ritzy 5th Avenue, right? Wrong.

11th, Movie—Grandma, Starring Lilly Tomlin, said to be the performance of the year.

Grandma goes to great lengths to get Sage (her Granddaughter) out of trouble.

13th, Movie, 6:30 pm—Taking the Reins, Urged by her magazine editor to put more of herself into her writing, Samantha returns to her family's farm to write about horses.

14th, Movie 4:00 pm, Jungle Cruise—Join in the thrill ride down the Amazon with wisecracking Skipper Frandk and Intrepid researcher Lily.

15th, Movie 4:00 pm—Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris, This tells a humorously heartwarming film of the little guy getting what he so wants and then gives it away.

16th, Movie 6:30 pm—Campfire Kiss, Feeling disconnected from her teenage son, a protective Mom steps out of her comfort zone and takes him camping.

17th, Movie 6:30 pm—Miracle on 34th St. with the original cast.

20th, Movie 6:30 pm—How the Grinch stole Christmas, Enjoy this movie with everybody's favorite meany The Grinch.

21st, Movie 4:00 pm— It's a Wonderful Life, starring Jimmy Stewart

22nd, Movie 4:00 pm—Home Alone 2. Now the kid is lost in New York City

23rd, Movie 6:30 pm— Christmas in Connecticut. This is definitely an oldie but a goodie.

24th, Movie 6:30 pm— White Christmas, The Original film.

25th, Movie 6:30 pm— Jingle All the Way, What lengths will a Dad go through to make his son's Christmas the best ever?

27th, Movie, 6:30 pm—I Think I Love my Wife,Chris Rock stars in the comedy about the pleasures and perils of wedded bliss.

28th, Movie, 4:00 pm— Boomerang, This is about a player who is about to be played!

29th, Movie, 4:00 pm—The Sound of Music, Musical with Julie Andrews.

30th, Movie, 6:30 pm—The Magic of Ordinary Days ,One man changed her heart.

31st, Movie 6:30 pm—The Gentleman, This is an Action Comedy.



Some Citizens Care Center Activity News

Rolling and Strolling in November

Residents enjoyed rolling and strolling again for the last time this year. We were given a beautiful day at the beginning of November and we were able to have a picnic lunch in the park. We had peanut butter and jelly sandwiches made by the Activity staff, apple slices, cookies and a soda. Who doesn't like a thick PB&J on soft white bread? Jocie was able to ride the new electric bike to the park and bring lunch. It was a lot of fun for everybody and who would have thought it would be so warm in the beginning of November to enjoy a picnic in the park! Enjoy the pictures below.



VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATED AT

Citizens was proud to honor seven of our brave residents and one brave staff member for their military service to our country. We are grateful to each and everyone of them for the sacrifice they made to keep us all safe and free. A Veterans Day poem was read out loud and certificates were handed out by our Administrator Ed while Janet pinned them and gave bracelets to each of them.

Thank you men for your Service!



VETERANS DAY
By Cheryl Dashi
On Veterans Day we honor all,
Who answered to a service call,
Soldiers young, and soldiers old,
Fought for freedom, brave and bold.
Some have lived, while others died,
And all of them deserve our pride.
We're proud of all the soldiers who,
Kept thinking of red, white and blue.
They fought for us and all our rights,
They fought through many days and nights,
And though we may not know each name,
We thank ALL veterans just the same.

What's Happening in December?



Pizza Luncheon Fundraiser on

Help us bring a smile to each resident on Christmas Morning by participating in our...

Friday 12/6 11am –2pm

2 Slices of Pizza, Salad and Dessert

for the low price of \$10 (cash only)

Eat in or Carry-Out orders available in our Cafeteria. Prepaid orders contact Janet at 410-942-2112 or Theresa at 410-942-2123

All proceeds benefit our Resident Council Activity Fund to purchase resident

Christmas gifts.



Join Our Christmas Door Decorating Contest!

Pick a door close to your office/work area (not a resident room door) and decorate it by 12/11. Doors will be judged between 12/18—12/19. Winners will receive a prize, but most of all you will be brightening up the holidays for residents and staff.

Follow safe practices. Nothing can hinder the door from closing at any time, nothing can be placed on door handles, electric decorations are not permitted, however, battery operated lighting is permitted if it is in good repair. Also decorations cannot extend out from a door by more than 4". Pick a door that is very visible! Let's have fun with this activity!



MERRY
CHRISTMAS



Citizens and Harford County Services

Telephone Assurance Program

(T.A.P.) is a free service provided by Citizens Care and Rehabilitation Center and a volunteer who makes the daily person to person telephone calls to individuals who live alone or have medical problems but wish to remain at home. A volunteer with T.A.P. checks on the well-being of the participant daily. T.A.P. operates seven days a week, 9:00 am-11:00 am. All information received by T.A.P. is kept confidential. If interested in this free service in Harford County contact Janet McDonald at 410-942-2112

Who is your Ombudsman???

The Harford County Ombudsman comes to Citizens when help is needed. She helps work out any problems that you may have that you have told some one about but the problem is on going. If you need to get in touch with her, her name is Sharon Miller and she can be reached at the Office on Aging at 410-638-3025.

**Citizens Care and
Rehabilitation
Center
is on Facebook!**



Notice

We wish to reaffirm our policy that all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, genetics, marital status or sexual orientation are considered for employment or admission to
**Citizens Care and
Rehabilitation Center.**

Silly Christmas Jokes

- 1. How much did Santa pay for his sleigh? Nothing it was on the house.*
- 2. What happens when Elves behave badly? Santa gives them the sack!*
- 3. What did one snowman say to the other snowman? Is it just me or do you smell carrots!*