



WINDSOR MANOR™

Assisted Living Community

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Fun days to Celebrate in December

- 4th—National Cookie Day
- 7th—National Cotton Candy Day
- 8th—National Brownie Day
(why all the food days??)
- 10th—Lunar Eclipse
- 15th—National Firefighters' Day
- 19th—National Hard Candy Day
- 21st-28th—Hanukkah
- 22nd—Winter begins
- 24th—Christmas Eve
- 25th—Christmas Day
- 26th-Jan. 1st—Kwanzaa
- 31st—New Years Eve



Christmas One-Liners

- Note on a Christmas package: Fragile, throw underhand, please.
- I went shopping last night and my VISA card overheated.
- The boss doubled our Christmas bonus. This year we get two fruit cakes.
- If we look realistically, the Christmas presents of today are the garage sales of tomorrow. (how true is this??)



Resident/Family Meeting

There will be a meeting with the Senior Housing President Allen Phillips, and Vice President Allison Law on December 20th at 10:30 AM in the dining room. We would like to invite the family members to attend this meeting with your family member where any questions or concerns can be addressed.

Our Resident/Family and Friends Christmas Party will be on the evening of the 20th so residents, make sure you invite your family and friends. At 5:00 PM there will be a soup and sandwich supper with Von Ketelsen singing at 5:30.

Resident/Family Cookie



Exchange

This year we are going to do a Resident/Family cookie exchange for those that are interested. We would love for the families to get involved with their family member for the exchange. This is how it works: each family that participates will bring in 5 1/2 of cookies, preferably homemade (but can be store bought). Each family will take home up to 5 dozen cookies, a few of each kind, but none of their own. The half dozen will be used for sampling with coffee, hot cocoa and juice in the Dining Room. Cookie exchanges are a lot of fun and it is a great way to get a good variety of cookies for the holiday. We are planning on this for December 22nd at 2:00 PM. We will have boxes available for use of cookies if needed. Please plan on coming in and spending the afternoon with us. Hope to see you there. In case of a family not attending, we will make sure that all tenants will receive some cookies.

Food for the Food Pantry

This year we have decided to be a drop off station for the Webster City Food Pantry. With all the loss of jobs in the area, there are sure to be struggling families in our area who are in need of food supplies for the winter months. We will have a station set up as you enter our front doors for you to drop off non-perishable food items and paper products. Thank you in advance for your help in this project.

From the Nurses Corner

Here's hoping you had a great Thanksgiving. I have enjoyed visiting with many of the residents hearing of the opportunities they had to be with family and friends. It sounds like many of them had a chance to see children and take in the sounds of the season. My family had such a fun time spending the Holiday in Omaha. I prepared the turkey Tuesday night and all the fixings at Kristi's apartment. The family then enjoyed a movie and Winter Wonderland as the Old Market area in Omaha came to life in the Christmas Spirit. I always love looking at the Christmas lights, songs, and nativity scenes. Our family at Windsor Manor continues to grow as we have NOW opened The Gardens dementia care. I am praying for the blessing of Christmas over our residents, staff, and families as we head into this busy and sometimes difficult time of the year. ***Quality Care to ALL Residents at ALL times!***
Kelly Dodge, RN, HCC

Things we Did

At least the snow held off for our area until after the Thanksgiving holiday. We have had a very nice November when you compare it to Novembers in the past. The new Gardens addition is coming along very nicely. We have a goal for an opening date of December 5th. At least five apartments are already spoken for and we look forward to welcoming these new members to our Windsor Manor family.

November was busy with the High School peer groups coming in. They helped decorate turkey cookies and also made turkeys out of pinecones. For Veterans day, we went to the Veterans' memorial service down on the Des Moines Street Boulevard and then went up to the Wilson Brewer Depot. It was a good day. Thank you to all the veterans we have living with us for serving our country and to the veterans all over the USA for making it a better place to live.

We have watched some fun movies and enjoyed the popcorn machine, and we did "Let's Make a Deal" this month. It was so much fun!!! Mike also got a 500 card tournament going this month that we will continue to have each month. The residents had a lot of fun playing that. We had Kenny Vorland and the gang in to sing for us, always a good time with them.

We started putting up Christmas decorations the Friday after Thanksgiving. Since I don't do shopping very well, let alone on Black Friday, I was glad to be at work where I knew I would have much more fun than anywhere else. After all, if you are having fun, it's not work, right!! My volunteer Tammy, and her daughter also came and helped put our tree up. Our Windsor Manor home looks very festive. We have several musical groups invited in for December, ranging from the Riverview Preschool, to the Leeds Family Singers, St. Thomas 2nd and 3rd graders, along with Von Ketelsen, and Jules (Maurice Walker). Our Family/Friends Resident Christmas Party will be held on the 20th of December at which time Von will be singing.

We also started a book club where, on most days, I read from the book "Tisha", the story of a young lady in 1927 who, at the age of 19, treks her way across the wilderness of Alaska to teach. Tisha is the short version of Teacher, a nick-name given to her by a little Eskimo boy. It is a true story of Anne Hobbs as told to Robert Specht. If you ever have a chance to read this book, please do. It is **great**. I hope you all have a great Holiday Season and remember to.....Have fun always.....***Donna Smith, Life Enrichment Coordinator***

From the Culinary Department



What you need:

4 Cups popped popcorn
1.2 Cup white chocolate
1/4 Cup Craisins

Pop popcorn and set aside. Over a double boiler, melt white chocolate. Immediately stir popcorn into the melted chocolate, coating evenly. Spread popcorn onto a piece of waxed paper and let cool thoroughly. Toss with Craisins in a bowl. If you will be eating the popcorn at a much later time, add Craisins at that time. Happy Holidays to all,

Michael Peterson, Culinary Coordinator

Thank You

Thank you to the Women of Faith from the Trinity Lutheran Church for the table favors. The Thanksgiving table favors with the gumdrops were so nice. Thank you for thinking of us. The residents appreciate you!!

Thank you to Joan Smid for bringing in the Christmas cards. Items like that always come in handy. Residents will put them to good use.

Thank you to Nadine Cordes for donating knick-knacks and holiday items. They will be used for decorating and for prizes for the many games we play.

Thank you to Lynda Ryder for all the Christmas decorations you donated to Windsor Manor. With the Gardens opening soon, we will need to decorate down there also. Thank you very much.

Thank you to the family of Georgina Greenfield for all the items you left for our residents use. Thank you also for the plants. They will make a nice addition in the Gardens area. Plants always make a room look "homey".

Thank you to Ruth Krazeisen for the beautiful poinsettia plant you brought us. It is a very beautiful plant and we will enjoy it throughout the Christmas season. Thank you!!!

With Deepest Sympathies

We would like to extend our prayers and sympathy to the family of Georgina Greenfield. We had the privilege of having Georgina as a resident for the past several years. She was such a treasure and we all enjoyed her so much. She lived a good life. We miss her but we also know she is now embraced in the Lord's arms.

We also extend our prayers and sympathy to the family of Elmer Jenkins. We also know that Elmer is embraced in the arms of our Lord and no longer in any pain. We truly miss him here at Windsor Manor but we also know that he is living the eternal life in Heaven that God had planned for him.

We need to extend our sympathies to the family of Oriet Blair. Oriet was not with us at Windsor Manor for very long but we enjoyed having her for the short time she did live here. Oriet was a long time member of the Webster City community and came out to visit at Windsor Manor in the past. She is embraced in the arms of the Lord.

What We've Been up To....



Vera sampling one of the cookies



Ray.....not sure what's going on???



Veteran's day at the Depot Museum



Vivian getting help making a turkey



The L-shaped sunroom before entering the Gardens



The Gardens.....Definitely taking shape

*The Windsor Manor Wellness Show is on Wednesday mornings at 8:00 AM on KQWC. Please tune in to listen.

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