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# Strauss Manor Monthly Newsletter December 2021



Christmas/Hanukkah Grab~n~Go Meal Friday, December 17th, @ 11:30am



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## Happy Holidays!!!

We finally made it to December and 2022 is just right around the corner. May this holiday season be filled with the simple pleasures of eards and calls from friends and family, while this season continues to look different than years past, we still can make it a special one.

Here's some simple, but nice ideas:

- \* Write a letter to your grandkids with memories of how you spent holidays as a child.
- \* Connect with your children and pass on a family recipe.
- \* Pull out the photo albums and share a story of a fun trip that you took with your family or a friend.
- \* Call a grandkid nightly and read a bedtime story.
- \* Start a pen pal with a grandkid, family member or friend.
- \* Send a note to a health care worker or first responder.
- \* Reach out to another senior who might be alone this season.

Make this a season of giving and gratitude; the smallest acts of kindness can be our biggest blessings and gifts. This year again we have missed each and every one of you. We are blessed to work for the greatest generation. While this year was not the year we thought it would be, we still tried to make a difference and provide new activities for you in a safe way. We loved seeing your smiling faces at the Grab~ N~ Go luncheons or the knocks on your door when meals are being delivered. Your letters and cards lifted us up each week. As the New Year approaches, we will continue to find new ways to bring activities, and ways to connect. We are here for you. The Staff and I would like to wish you all a healthy and happy holidays. We have hopes and wishes for 2022 for a year of recovery and reconnections.

Luz Servin
-Service Coordinator-

"Count your blessings instead of your crosses.

Count your gains instead of your losses.

Count your joys instead of your woes.

Count your friends instead of your foes.

Count your courage instead of your fears.

Count your full times instead of your lean.

Count your health instead of your wealth.

Love your neighbor as much as yourself.

∼Irish New Year toast

# Deck the Halls!

Help us celebrate the holiday season by decorating your door!

Walk the halls to get in the holiday spirit
and to decide on your favorites!

Let me know your vote by Friday, December 17.

Winners will be announced on
Monday, December 22 through a flier.

First, second and third place winners
will receive a gift card.



Good Luck and Happy Decorating!





APPRECIATE YOU!

Thanks a Million! Thank you!

Gracias!



to our Tucson Community, Board of Directors, Staff, Sponsors and Resident volunteers!



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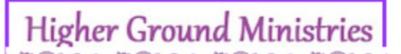




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Thank you!









### Across

- 3. What Santa rides on Christmas Eve.
- 6. Holiday filled with presents and cheer.
- 7. The color of Christmas.
- 8. It is usually placed at the top of the Christmas tree.

#### Down

- 1. The month you celebrate Christmas.
- 2. He wears a red suit and has a white beard.
- 3. We hang these by the fireplace.
- 4. What we find under the Christmas tree.
- 5. It is decorated with ornaments and lights.
- 6. Type of cane that we eat at Christmas.

# HOMINONGERIL

Kids Unlimited
Studios
Will be
Performing
on Wednesday,
December 22<sup>nd</sup>
@ 5:00pm
In the
multi purpose
Room
(masks are required)



# BOREDOM BUSTERS

#### Christmas Cookie Quiz How well do you know your Christmas cookies? Match the description with the cookie. Answers on Page 12 Used to decorate gifts A. Truffles 2. Opposite of tall bread B. Pumpkin Churned cream 3. C. Shortbread 4. Rolled flakes pressed together D. Haystacks 5. Red Christmas plant E. Cathedral Windows 6. Spins round and round F. Butter 7. Rare wild mushrooms G. Biscotti 8. Reptiles that hide in their shells H. Snickerdoodles 9. Girl Scouts ages 7-10 I. Thumbprint 10. Decorate men, women & houses J. Gingerbread 11. Don't leave this at a crime scene K. Snowball 12. Twice baked Italian biscuits L. Meringue 13. Stained glass accents on a church M. Turtles Piled, mowed & cured grass for cows 14. N. Poinsettia 15. Stiffly beaten egg whites & sugar O. Brownies Giggling while drawing absentmindedly P. Ribbon 17. This makes the medicine go down Q. Pinwheel R. Sugar A popular Thanksgiving squash

# Manager's Corner

**Reminder to all residents**: As stated in the EIV & You Brochure given to residents at application, move in, and every certification, when changes occur in your

household income or family composition, immediately contact your property manager to determine if this will affect your rental assistance. This includes

**Social Security, SSI, Wages, Unemployment, Pensions, and all other income.** EIV is a web-based computer system containing employment and income information on individuals participating in HUD's rental assistance programs. This information assists HUD in making sure "the right benefits go to the right persons".

When you receive your new Social Security letter in the mail with the 2022 Cost of Living (COLA) increase for social security and/or SSI, please bring it to the office so we can make a copy for your file and use for 2022 Certifications.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Theresa & Emely





# Christmas Movie Trivia

How well do you know your Christmas movies?

Answers on Page 12

- 1. What is the highest grossing Christmas movie of all time?
- What is the name of Ralphie's father in A Christmas Story?
- 3. What object does George promise to give Mary in It's a Wonderful Life?
- 4. Who is the antagonist of A Christmas Carol?
- 5. Which character does Bing Crosby portray in White Christmas?
- 6. Where does the 1942 film Holiday Inn take place?
- 7. In what city did the 1947 film Miracle on 34th Street take place?
- 8. In the 1989 comedy *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation*, what had Clark Griswold been planning to buy with the Christmas bonus he expected from work?
- 9. What three Christmas ghosts visit Scrooge?
- 10. The Polar Express became a huge holiday favorite in the mid-2000s. Tom Hanks worked overtime playing multiple roles, but how many characters did he play?









We are excited to announce that we will be opening the Library/Computer Lab during office hours in the near future. This is by appointment only. Our DVD library will also be available to check out DVD/movies. We will have laptops available. If you do not have a wireless device and would like to use one, you will be able to reserve one for check out. You can call me to RSVP or for more information.

Thank you, LUZ:)













# 'Tis the Season to do some Christmas shopping:)



# Come down to shop for some good deals:)



Debbie from Paparazzi Jewelry will be here on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am-1:00pm in the MPR



Barb from Avon
will be here on
Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>
From 10:00am-1:00pm
in the MPR





# December 2021 B'nai B'rith Gerd & Inge Strauss Manor Wellness Center





Troy J. Pearson-Wellness

## 4 Tips to Stay healthy During The Holidays

## 1. Stay hydrated

Drinking water is one way you can stay healthy during the holidays. "Senior citizens, especially, need to drink plenty of fluids, as not drinking enough water could cause hospitalization," Fuchs says. To make it easier to stay hydrated, have water easily accessible at home and keep bottled water in a purse or bag when running errands.

## 2. Follow dietary restrictions

Some seniors must follow special diets, such as one that is low in sodium. It can be difficult to adhere to a diet during busy, stressful times, especially if there aren't any healthy options available. "When people get stressed, they tend to overeat and don't stick to their diets," Golden says. To make it easier to follow dietary guidelines, keep healthy options like fresh-cut vegetables and fruit on hand.

## 3. Drink in moderation

"Drinking too much can impair functions, and for some senior citizens, drinking alcohol with certain medications can have adverse side effects," Golden says. Consider offering fun, alcohol-free drinks so everyone can celebrate the holidays.

# 4. Keep exercising

The holidays are synonymous with cold weather and snow. To stick to an exercise schedule, bundle up for a walk around the block. If it's too cold outside, drive to an indoor shopping mall and walk a few laps while window-shopping.















## WELLNESS CENTER CALENDAR

## DECEMBER 2021



THURSDAY- 12/02

1:00PM—JOYFUL MOVEMENTS

TUESDAY- 12/07

NOON—CHAIR DANCE

2:00PM—CHAIR TAI-CHI

THURSDAY - 12/09

NOON—ACTIVE CHAIR WORKOUT

2:00PM—BALANCE & BREATH





2:00PM—LOW-IMPACT LOWER BODY



NOON—AEROBICS

2:00PM — CHAIR YOGA

TUESDAY - 12/21

NOON—UPPER BODY STRETCH

2:00PM—LOWER BODY STRETCH

**THURSDAY - 12/23** 

NOON—TAI-CHI

2:00PM—ACTIVE CHAIR WORKOUT

**TUESDAY- 12/28** 

NOON—RESISTANCE CHAIR

2:00PM—SIT & BE FIT

THURSDAY—12/30

NOON-BREATH & TAI-CHI

2:00PM—CHAIR STRETCH & STRENGTH











# Resident Activities December 2021

Tuesday Thursday Sunday Monday Wednesday Friday Sugar Cookie Answers from Page 6 2 3 1:00pm 10:00am-1. P. 2. C, 3. F, 4. K, 5. N, 6. Q, 7. A, 8. M, 9. O, 10. J, 11. I, 12. G, 13. E, 14. D, 15. L, Joyful 1:00pm Movements 16. H, 17. R, 18. B W/ Dancesequences Christmas Movie Answers from Page 7 Medicare/DES Information Booth 1. Home Alone in 1990, 2. He doesn't have a name. It's "old man." 3. The Moon, 4. Ebenezer Scrooge, from 5. Captain Bob Wallace, 6. Midville, Connecticut, 7. New York City, 8. Swimming Pool, 9. Ghost of 1:00pm-3:30pm W/Fernando Diaz Christmas Past, Ghost of Christmas Present and Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come, 10, 6 VANT IT ALL? 9:00am 7 Food 9 8 10 10:00am-Box 1:00pm COFFEE Masks and Medicare/DES Medicare/DES AVON 90 Social Information Information distancing **Booth Booth** are 2:00pm from from required to 1:00pm-3:30pm 1:00pm-3:30pm all activities W/Fernando W/Fernando and events. Diaz Diaz 12 14 15 16 18 9:00am 17 11:30am Christmas/ Hanukkah Medicare/DES Medicare/DES 2:00pm Grab~n~Go Information Information Luncheon & Gifts **Booth Booth** from from 1:00pm-3:30pm 1:00pm-3:30pm W/Fernando W/Fernando Diaz Diaz 21 22 23 Christmas 19 24 20 9:00am Medicare/DES Medicare/DES COFFEE 5:00pm Information Information **Holiday Concert** 90 **Booth Booth** from 2:00pm from 1:00pm-3:30pm 1:00pm-3:30pm W/Fernando W/Fernando Diaz Diaz 26 27 28 30 9:00am Medicare/DES Medicare/DES Information Information **Booth Booth** from from

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