

DECEMBER 2018

# Country Manor Connection

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**Celebrating December**

**Safe Toys and Gifts Month**

**Write a Friend Month**

**Spiritual Literacy Month**

**Hanukkah**

*December 2–10*

**Pretend to Be a Time**

**Traveler Day**

*December 8*

**Crossword Puzzle Day**

*December 21*

**Christmas Day**

*December 25*

**New Year's Eve**

*December 31*



*Country Manor  
would like to invite our  
resident's families to a  
special Christmas Gathering*

**December 20<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 7:00**

*Come enjoy some refreshments and  
music as Santa and his Elf stop by!*



# In the Spotlight

## MEET OUR NEW MANAGER



Please join us at Country Manor, on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 3-6p. We will have soup and light refreshments!

I'm so excited to join the County Manor community! As the daughter of a nurse, I spent a lot of

time with the elderly and always enjoyed my time with them. In high school and college, I worked as a C.N.A and found that I really had a passion for caring for our seniors. I received a bachelor's in business management from Western Illinois University and took a new career path. I spent the next 10 years working in the hospitality and service industries. In that time, I also became a mother to 2 daughters and a son. I'm very excited to get back to my health care roots and I believe that my passion for providing exceptional care to our residents along with my management skills will be a great addition to the wonderful Country Manor family.

## Dare to Dream

Our management Senior Housing, are big believers of "red carpet" hospitality and focusing on making our residents dreams come true and embracing every moment.

Dare to Dream is a way of making our resident's dreams come true!

It could be something a resident has always wanted to do, see or experience... maybe an opportunity to watch a sports game or see the their newest great great grandchild. We might be able to make this dream come true!



Can you think of "a dream" a resident may want? Please jot down your ideas and put in the mail box labeled Life Enrichment, Teri White or contact Teri with any questions at 391-1111.



**Do you have lightly used or new items you could donate? Here are some items we could use for our residents.**

- ~ Nail Care Items ~ Items for the "All Dolled Up" hour such as Make-up, Hair Spray, Brushes, Curling Irons, Blow Dryers, Electric Razors, Perfume or Cologne ~ Need 4 DVD Players ~
  - ~ Any items for the Country Manor Country Store. Looking for Christmas gift items residents could do Christmas shopping there. ~ Items for Life Stations such as fishing items, baby items, farming, cooking, wedding, etc...
- Any question Contact Teri 391-1111**

**A BIG Thank you to The Zinger Family for the donation of 2 bread machines. Looking forward to using them!**

## Activity Corner

**Hello December!** We welcome the holidays and the Christmas Music! We have lots of music scheduled this month. With a couple of new entertainers coming aboard! On the 4<sup>th</sup> you get to meet a band titled a **Group of Friends**. They like to gather and play a variety of instruments and always has a good time. Also, on the 17<sup>th</sup> we have **Rev. Paul Cavitt** coming to town. He is known as “**The Rolling Turtle**”

On the 11<sup>th</sup> we are doing a craft and making some **Button Up Greeting Cards**. And on the 14<sup>th</sup> we are making some **Cinnamon Ornaments** to hang to our trees and gives a nice fragrance for all to enjoy!

Don't forget on the 20<sup>th</sup>! We'll have our **Christmas Gathering from 5:30-7:00** We will have music, refreshments and a visit from **Santa and his Elf!** And of course, we **celebrate the upcoming new year on the 31<sup>st</sup> with a gathering to bring in 2019!**

On **December 31<sup>st</sup>** we'll be saying goodbye to 2018 and hello to 2019! In the afternoon, we'll have a noon party and celebrate the New Year!



## Volunteer Opportunities Available at Country Manor



**We would love to share your time and talents in anyway. Even a small amount of time can make a difference to our residents.**

**Contact Teri White at 391-1111 for more information on how you can become part of our volunteer family.**



Whether the snow is falling outside or not, you can provide some flurries of your own on December 27, “**Make Cut-Out Snowflakes Day**”. Paper snowflakes are simple, easy-to-make

decorations that instantly create a festive atmosphere. And like real snowflakes, no two are exactly alike! Simply fold a square piece of paper in half diagonally to make a triangle, fold it in half again to make another triangle, and then fold it into thirds. Next, use scissors to cut straight or wavy lines into the finished triangle. As you unfold your paper, you'll find a perfectly unique and symmetrical flake. The cutting of paper snowflakes was born with Japanese origami in the Far East. It is likely that the French mastered the art of cutting paper doll chains from Japanese origami, and snowflakes evolved from those dolls.

## Good Friends Make Good Neighbors

You've learned first hand how Country Manor has impacted your loved one's life. We'd like you to pass the world along! If you know someone who would be a great fit at Country Manor, let us know!

**Senior Housing Management wants to give you a \$1,000\* rent credit!**



This is Senior Housing way to say thank you for believing in Country Manor and making a difference in the lives of others.

We know your friend will thank you too!



For additional information, or to make a referral, please contact Lori Bader.

\*In order to receive the \$1,000 rent credit, the referred resident must complete a full 30 days of residency

## Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group Meeting

**December 17, 2018 from 4:45-5:45**

Country Manor is excited to offer monthly support group meetings. Open to the public. They help families find information on Alzheimer's and Dementia. Encouraging support to one another through discussions and guest speakers. All are welcome to attend. Contact Lori Badger 563-391-1111

## December Birthdays

In astrology, the Archers of Sagittarius are those born between December 1–21. These open-minded travelers are in constant motion, searching the globe for meaning. Curious, optimistic, and enthusiastic, they are not afraid of change and treasure freedom. Those born from December 22–31 are Capricorn's Goats. Goats are focused on lofty goals; these hardworking and determined souls will prevail with grit and resilience.



- Dec 1<sup>st</sup> ~ Donna Pfannenstiel
- Dec 7<sup>th</sup> ~ Leroy McDowell
- Dec 7<sup>th</sup> ~ Shalonda Bragg ~ Dietary Coord.
- Dec 19<sup>th</sup> ~ Annie Lake ~ Resident Assistant
- Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ Jasmine Gales ~ Resident Assistant
- Dec 25<sup>th</sup> ~ Setiva Kasal ~ Resident Assistant

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*Do you want to receive the monthly newsletter by email?*



*If you or someone you know wants to be added, please*