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Holiday Traditions

When we flip to the last month in the calendar, we know that our traditions of family get-togethers, festive food and memorable celebrations are in store. And along with the holidays comes a new year filled with new opportunities. As you sit bundled under a blanket, think back on the traditions you hold dear and how they have enriched your life. Then look ahead as the year approaches, vow to try something out of the ordinary every week. Whether it's a new activity, friend, food or simply learning a new word, bringing something different into your world can enhance brain health and enrich your life.

'Tis the Season

Ho, ho, ho! Break out the mistletoe! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your family. With the holidays coming quickly, we hope yours will be wonderful. Our Community newsletter is your link to all the festive upcoming holiday activities we have scheduled! We will have a variety of exciting events, so please plan to attend all of them. If you have ideas or suggestions, let us know!

Christmas Cheer!

It's that time of year, and we're ready to celebrate the holidays! All our residents and family are cordially invited to join us at our annual Christmas party on Tuesday, December 5th, starting at 5 pm. Be on the lookout for your holiday invitation with all the fabulous details. Please RSVP to (208) 322-0311 if you plan to attend the festivities. Happy Holidays!

Tinsel Time

Show your holiday spirit by decorating your apartment door. We're holding a decorating contest—complete with fabulous prizes—to encourage everyone to get in on the fun. See the Recreation Director for details and start stringing those lights and hanging that greenery.

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Toys for Tots

The holidays invite us to share our blessings with those less fortunate, and for your convenience, we have a Toys for Tots drop-off in our lobby. Just place your new, unwrapped toys in our Christmas wagon, and we'll make sure they're delivered. Thank you for your generosity!

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"Continuum of Care Campus"

Enjoy Independent Living, Assisted Living, Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation at its best at Garden Plaza of Valley View, The Bridge at Valley View and Valley View Nursing and Rehabilitation. Our community encourages seniors to live their retirement years actively and independently. Retirement Living at Garden Plaza allows seniors to live carefree lifestyles—because we take care of the details! We are committed to creating a place you will love to call home!

Management Team

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Jaimie Cox	Business Office
Jennifer Kavulich	Dining Svs
Frank Dowd	Maintenance
Sherrie Hix	Recreation
Melanie Eames	Sales
Pam Dillman	Sales



Important Numbers

Front Desk	208-322-0311
Beauty Shop	208-327-1178
Business Office	208-327-1023
Dining Room	208-327-1054
Emergency	
Physical Therapy	208-854-8502
Recreation	208-327-1025

Office Hours



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Robert Brouws Daisy Fetner John Hadden John & Luana Lamkin Ron & Char Zarbrisky



Staff Appreciation Fund

If you'd like to contribute to the employee Christmas appreciation fund, please stop by the front desk or speak with Eddie Johnson, General Manager. Thank you for your support and generosity!

Holiday Décor Safety

Think "safety" when decorating for the season. Don't let tinsel or garland become a tripping hazard. For fire safety, turn off all lights before going to bed or leaving the apartment. Read all warning labels and directions.





Laugh Lines: Eat, Drink and Be Merry

The gingerbread man went to the medical clinic because he had a sore knee. After examining it, the doctor said, "Have you tried icing it?"

Q: Why did the gingerbread man go to the dentist?

A: He had gingervitis.

Q: What does gingerbread do when it's done baking?

A: It just loafs around.

Q: What is a gingerbread

man's favorite drink? A: Ginger ale.

Q: How would you rate the eggnog?

A: It's egg-cellent.

Q: Who tells the best eggnog jokes?

A: Comedi-hens!

Q: What's a fun party activity to do while drinking eggnog?

A: Singing kara-yolkie!

Q: What happens when no one comes to your holiday party?

A: You can have your fruitcake and eat it too.

Q: Why is history like a fruitcake?

A: Because it's full of dates.

Q: When is a fruitcake like a golf ball?

A: When it's been sliced.

Q: Why was the German tourist searching for fruitcake?

A: It was stollen.

Nutty About Fruitcake

Some people hate it, some love it and others love to make jokes about it! Fruitcake has a long history and is a popular holiday treat in many parts of the world.

Today's fruitcake is a sweet, dense loaf made with butter, brown sugar and molasses, and lots of nuts and candied fruits, among other ingredients. The first fruitcakes, however, were a little different.

The oldest reference to a similar cake dates to Roman times. The recipe included barley mash mixed with pomegranate seeds, pine nuts and raisins, producing a portable, long-lasting food that was perfect for travelers.

During the Middle Ages, dried fruits became more widely available, so people added them to cakes, along with honey and spices.

In the 1500s, cheap sugar from the colonies began arriving in Europe, and it was soon discovered that soaking fruit in successively greater concentrations of sugar intensified the color and flavor, while also acting as a preservative. Soon fruitcakes were all the rage.

Serving fruitcake for special occasions such as holidays and weddings became popular in the 18th and 19th centuries, especially in Great Britain.



