

MEADOWLARK



Join us for Movie Night every Friday night at 6:00 p.m. in TV Lounge

Going My Way Father Charles O'Malley, a young priest at a financially failing church in a tough neighborhood, gains support and inspires his superior.

Heaven Sent An inexperienced angel gives a budding juvenile delinquent a chance to redeem his life.

A Christmas Story This beloved holiday movie follows the wintry exploits of youngster Ralphie Parker, who spends most of his time dodging a bully and dreaming of his ideal Christmas gift, a "Red Ryder air rifle." Frequently at odds with his cranky dad but comforted by his doting mother, Ralphie struggles to make it to Christmas Day with his glasses, and his hopes, intact.

Miracle on 34th Street When a nice old man who claims to be Santa Claus is institutionalized as insane, a young lawyer decides to defend him by arguing in court that he is the real thing.

Christmas Cottage A young artist, Thomas, returns to his hometown and anticipates another perfect family holiday. Instead, he finds that his mother is about to lose her home to foreclosure, and the entire town is struggling in the wake of a failing tourist industry. With the help of his ailing mentor, Thomas hopes to find his artistic voice and help the town rediscover the holiday spirit.



CHRISTMAS STORY WORD SEARCH

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- NATIVITY
- MARY
- JOSEPH
- JESUS
- MANGER
- SHEPHERD
- STAR
- DAVID
- INN
- DONKEY
- HAY
- BETHLEHEM
- JOURNEY
- ANGEL
- MYRRH
- SHEEP
- CAMEL
- WISE

There is a bonus word hidden in the puzzle – can you identify it?

LEADERSHIP CORNER ~ Cheryl Loftus, Director

Our South Wing renovations are well under way!

If you have not been down near the lower dining room, you may not have seen the mess, the blocked off hallways and rooms, and restricted area signs. It is difficult to imagine the creation that will come from such disruption, dust and chaos. The residents in South Wing have been experiencing temporary relocation to other units, contractor noise and activity, and the bother of having to be driven from one end of the building to the other to attend meals and activities; yet have remained so gracious and patient. The abatement crew is done the first phase, and will return in a few weeks. The back hallway has much work happening with contractors installing air conditioners and installing and spackling drywall. The front driveway trenching has begun to accommodate the sprinkler system coming into the building. There are many areas invaded right now, but contractors are working hard to get that back hallway to a good place so that we can get those residents back into their homes.



We will soon get some pictures of the results to remind us that there will be beauty out of the unsightly. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns that you have about what is happening in the South Wing.



In the midst of this transformation, we don't want to lose sight of this special time of year. May the words of Billy Graham resonate with you during the frenzy of the holidays: *"Amid the glitter and busyness of the season, may you not lose sight of the miracle and meaning of that Christmas night. With the shepherds and the wise men, let us bow down and worship Him."*

Christmas is a time of hope and joy and love. I am sure you all have fond memories of Christmases past. The smell of pine trees and baking cookies, Christmas cards sent and received, and treasured moments spent with family and friends... I hope that this season provides you with new and special moments such as these.

On behalf of all the staff at The Willows, have a very blessed Christmas.

Cheryl Loftus, Director



CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

GOT STRINGS? CONCERT Saturday, December 1 10:15 a.m. (Activity Room)

Join us for a morning of special music to start the Christmas Season!



ON THIS HOLY NIGHT SERIES W/PASTOR DEB Tuesday, December 4 9:30 a.m. (Activity Room)

During this Advent Season, we will enjoy stories from *On This Holy Night*, a collection of stories written by Christian authors such as David Jeremiah and Max Lucado. Each story is meant to cause us to experience the miraculous story of Christmas anew. Join us as we return to that most holy night.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB Thursday, December 6 2:30 p.m. (TV Lounge)

This month ALL are invited to gather in the TV Lounge to watch the movie *The Light Between Oceans*. This recent book story about a lighthouse keeper and his wife desperate to have a child.



ST. PETERS COVENANT CHURCH CAROLING GROUP Thursday, December 6 6:45 p.m. (Activity Room)

Come enjoy some of your favorite Christmas carols.



BRIDLE PATH, MONTGOMERY, NORTH WALES SELECT CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT Tuesday, December 11 6:00 p.m. (DWC Shuttle)

You are invited to come enjoy an evening concert with the very talented musicians representing elementary schools from the North Penn School District. Last year the Bridle Path Chorus won a competition put on by a radio station in Philadelphia, earning the opportunity to perform on stage with the Philly POPS at the Kimmel Center. Sign up with Pam to go along.



MUSIC THERAPY WITH MARIANA AND SETH Wednesday, December 12 6:00 p.m. (Activity Room)

Join us to share the joy of music-making, song, and community! Invite friends, family and your neighbors – ALL are welcome!



INDIAN VALLEY DULCIMER SOCIETY PERFORMANCE Monday, December 17 6:00 p.m. (Activity Room)

Join us for a concert of great Celtic Christmas music played on hammered and mountain dulcimers, along with an array of other instruments.

WILLOWS' CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND PARTY Tuesday, December 18 6:30 p.m. (Activity Room)

Join us for a special evening of holiday music and fun with your neighbors and Willows staff members ~ rumor has it you can also expect a special appearance by "the big guy"!



NORTH PENN HIGH SCHOOL CHAMBER SINGERS/BRASS ENSEMBLE CONCERT Wednesday, December 19 1:00 p.m. (DWC shuttle)

A spectacular Christmas Concert performed by an elite group of high school students. You surely don't want to miss this special afternoon! Sign up with Pam to go along.



CHRISTMAS CANTATA Thursday, December 20 1:00 p.m. (DWC Shuttle)

The Dock Woods Choir will present the Christmas Musical "An Old-Fashioned Christmas" by Don Wyrzten and Phil Brower with guest soloists Tina Hershberger and Al Stimson accompanied by Karen Black at the organ and Dottie Heebner at the piano. An offering will be received. Sign up with Pam to attend this afternoon event.

COMMUNITY HEARTBEATS ~ Pastor Debra Neild



For Christians, Advent is a season of excited waiting. As Christians, we know the story of the baby that is God whose birth we celebrate. We know that He is righteous and brings us salvation. This makes our celebration all the more joyful. This also makes it that much more difficult to wait.

During this season of Advent, let us remember the significance of Jesus' birth and be thankful. Let us prepare our hearts and minds to receive this wonderful gift of a savior wrapped in swaddling clothes. Let us proclaim to all who will listen the meaning of this birth we celebrate. Let us live our lives as those who have been saved and made righteous!

Jeremiah 33:15, "In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch of David to spring forth; and He shall execute justice and righteousness on the earth."

May you all have a blessed season of Advent and a Merry Christmas!

THE DISH ON DINING SERVICES ~ Tom Madara



- ❖ During the holidays, we know that many of you will be enjoying meals with family and friends outside of The Willows. Please let the staff know when you will not be here for meals.
- ❖ Likewise, please notify the staff of any guests planning to dine here with you as soon as possible so that we can accommodate you comfortably.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Staff is not allowed to accept a gift or tip of any kind at any time during the year.

If you need clarification, please see Cheryl Loftus.



Dock Village Angel Ornaments



These Christmas Angel ornaments have adorned the Christmas trees across Living Branches campuses for many years; we are thrilled to carry on the tradition. Residents, guests and employees are invited to take an angel from the tree in the reception area and leave a suggested donation of \$5 in the attached envelope. This will support the interests of a child living on the Dock Village campus this holiday season. Angels will be available until early January, 2019 so please take a moment to notice the angel ornaments, handcrafted by DV residents and volunteers. Please leave your envelope with Cheryl at the front desk.

ANNUAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Each year we prepare a disclosure statement for the Department of Insurance, which regulates life plan communities. This year's disclosure statement is now available. If you are interested in having a copy, please let Cheryl at the front desk know and a copy of the disclosure statement will be delivered to you.