



Village News



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Season’s Greetings and Happy Holidays, residents. I look forward to this time of year every year. I am excited to see you all at our Annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 17. For more information on this year’s Christmas party, please see Jessica’s wellness page.

DO YOU WANT A CHANCE TO WIN \$5,000 in Cold hard cash, **or \$100 a week in groceries for a year from Kroger?** Check out the Sales and leasing page for information on the PVM Foundation’s Raffle. All proceeds are going towards making life better for older adults. The drawing will be conducted via Zoom on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 12:00pm.

As some of you already know, our annual unit inspections have begun. We will be notifying you 36-48 hours in advance of your inspection by way of a notice to your door. Our goal is to accomplish all unit inspections by December 31, 2022. Note that you do not need to be home for this inspection. The day of your inspection, Matt will be delivering our Oakland Woods Active Shooter (and Take Shelter emergencies) plan to your unit. Should you not be home, he will be leaving on your kitchen counter.

You will note in our Active Shooter plan that, effective immediately, that the front office door is now locked at all times. This is an employee only area, and the only exception for residents to be in the front office area is if you are supervised by another staff member. Please also note that the Maintenance office is OFF LIMITS. Should you need anything from the maintenance team, please call the office to place a work order. Maintenance is **NOT** to be contacted by way of a walk in to their office. This month on the Maintenance News page you will also see the Emergency Maintenance policy as a reminder to all residents. Please review and should you have any questions, the Oakland Woods team will be happy to assist you.

Speaking of safety and emergencies, see the back of the newsletter for the phone number of Hampton Security Group. The office has received questions about how to contact them during their hours of service.

Thank you all - Cheers to a great month, and a very Happy New Year!



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Office News

Sharon Benton & Stephanie Daniel

Administrative/Receptionist

Season's Greetings

All of our residents should be receiving their Social Security Awards Letter for 2023. It is very important that you submit a copy to the office immediately. Your social security letter should be kept in a safe place where you can find it. We will make a copy and return the original to you.

Everyone will continue to receive a recertification package. **PLEASE** read the cover sheet and follow the instruction on how to properly fill out the paperwork. More often than not, we have to return papers to have them corrected, because they are not filled out correctly. To save us and you time, please follow the instructions carefully.

Let's talk Christmas! Christmas is a time to reflect on the birth of Jesus Christ, so let us remember that Jesus is the reason for the season.

Here at the Village Of Oakland Woods we are a diverse community from all walks of life that celebrate Christmas at different times and ways. Here just a few:

- December 6th – Saint Nicholas Day – Christian
- December 8th – Rohatus (Bodhi Day) Buddhist
- December 8th - Immaculate Conception Catholic
- December 10th – 18th – Hanukkah – Judaism
- December 16th – Posadas Navidenas – Christian
- December 25th – Christmas – Christian
- December 26th – Jan 1st – Kwanzaa – African American



Sales and Leasing News

*Katie Harris
Sales & Leasing*



YOU CAN'T WIN IF YOU DON'T PLAY

Ticket proceeds go towards making life better for older adults. You will support programs and services like the Resident Emergency Help Fund. Prove outings and activities to reduce isolation and so much more!



Each \$25 raffle ticket is a chance to win an amazing prize!

YOU COULD WIN...



**\$5,000 IN
COLD, HARD CASH**



**\$100 a week in groceries
for a year from Kroger**

The Drawing will be held 12:00 PM December 12, 2022 over Zoom. A zoom link will be sent one week before the drawing. Winners will be notified by email.

Thank you – Good luck!

To buy your tickets, scan the QRcode or visit pvmfoundation.org/raffle



Winners will be responsible for taxes for the fair market value of prizes.





Maintenance News

Matthew Myers
Maintenance Lead

AFTER HOURS OR HOLIDAY MAINTENANCE EMERGENCY: 248-330-0213

Please call the main office for all maintenance requests

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

The emergency maintenance number is for an emergency maintenance request **ONLY** and should not be used for normal maintenance requests.

An emergency maintenance request is any event that has caused major damage to the property and/or is causing damage to the property and requires immediate attention. This also includes any condition related to the property that is life threatening. Below are examples of events and conditions that are considered Emergency Maintenance requests and suggested actions to follow:

- No heat if temp outside is less than 60 degrees F
- No A/C if temp outside is more than 82 degrees F
- Gas leak – call Consumers first, then call maintenance
- No power in unit
- Refrigerator not working
- Lock out
- Water leak call and we will determine if it can wait until work hours
- Carbon Monoxide detected
- Broken lock or window
- Clogged toilet if only one toilet in unit
- Any other condition that effects safety or is necessary to preserve the condition of the unit.

Maintenance should not be called for a medical emergency, such as a resident wandering or someone who has fallen. In case of a medical emergency, press the lifeline button or call 911 immediately.

Staff is not allowed to pick up anyone who has fallen. 911 should be called immediately if someone falls.

If you have any questions regarding this emergency response process, please ask the Administrator.

Service News

*Sue Carney & Terri Price
Service Coordinators*

Greetings Village of Oakland Woods Residents. Can you believe we are in the month of December! The month brings the beauty of decorations, Christmas carols, lights and most of all the “reason for the season” JESUS!



Although this is a busy month, please note and plan to attend our PACE sponsored Christmas Cookie Decorating at the Community Center on:

□ Tuesday, December 20th - 1:00pm there will be a Christmas cookie-decorating event to help get you in the holiday spirit! This event, sponsored by PACE, will feature plenty of cookies to decorate and enjoy. Sign up in the Activities Book is required for this event.

Our PACE outreach liaison, Dianne Lee will be here for those of you that have not met Dianne.

PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) is a structured program of healthcare services designed to help seniors live in the community and remain in their homes for as long as possible. The focus is full service preventive care with a coordinated healthcare team.

A few December observances to note:

- Dec. 1 World AIDS Day
- Dec. 3 International Day of Persons with Disability
- Dec. 5-11 National Handwashing Awareness Week
- Dec. 5-11 National Influenza Vaccination Week
- Impaired Driving Prevention Month
- National Safe Toys and Gifts Month

We are praying for each of you and wishing you and your family an extra measure of peace, joy hope and the love of Christ on Christmas and always.



An All-Inclusive Community Approach to Health Care

Providing all-inclusive care to aging adults who wish to remain in the community and in their own home through:

- Primary Care
- Transportation
- Day Centers
- Home Care
- Physical and Occupational Therapy
- Behavioral Health
- Medication
- Socialization
- And much more!

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Caring for aging adults in Oakland, Macomb, and Wayne counties

As a PACE Southeast Michigan participant, all health care services are provided and arranged by your personal health care team. PACE participants may be fully liable for the costs of medical services from an out-of-network provider or without prior authorization with the exception of emergency services.

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Wellness News

Jessica Roberts
Wellness Coordinator

December brings much beauty and light as we approach Christmas; the holiday season at Oakland Woods will feature some great wellness opportunities, celebrations, and events!

With a full calendar of programs this month, please check our Community App/website for more details!

To kick off our December Weekly Wellness, we will host a special presentation on the “**Power of Positivity**” from our friend Lerone with Humana on **December 5th at 11:30am**. We will be discussing how to promote positivity and joy in this holiday season despite the busyness and challenges it may bring.

Another wellness event to address emotional and physical health will be a “**Body and Soul Care**” session for our Care + Connect gathering on **Monday, December 12th, at 11:30am**. Anita Norwood will be back to talk about relaxation and stress relief techniques and the use of herbal teas to promote health and wellness.

A unique opportunity for learning about nutrition and enjoying good food will be “**Holiday on a Budget**” – a special program provided by Wayne State University. This intergenerational event will bring together Detroit high schoolers and Oakland Woods residents for a cooking demonstration on **Friday, December 16th, from 11:30 -1:30pm**. Enjoy trying new recipes to share with your family and friends during this holiday season! Please sign up or call the office if you would like to attend.

There will also be plenty of fun Christmas events to celebrate the season this month!

We will start off the celebrating with a **Christmas program focusing on the hope of Christmas called: “Sharing the Hope”**. This will be a beautiful time of singing and sharing from the Bible by Ms. Irene Patterson as well as special music from Eugene Mann. This program will be held **Friday, December 2nd, at 12pm**; light refreshments will be served.

As for other Christmas events, we will be having an **Ugly Sweater Christmas Party for Birthdays and Bingo** this month on **Friday, December 9th, starting at 1pm**. This event will feature some team games followed by Bingo. There will be a prize for the best ugly Christmas sweater and some tasty treats to enjoy. Please sign up in the Activities book or call the office to sign up for this fun and festive time!

For our **Christmastime bus trip Wednesday, December 7th, at 4pm** we will head to Rochester where we will have a dinner at Ram’s Horn followed by a drive through downtown Rochester and the Village of Rochester to see Christmas lights. Residents are responsible for paying for their meal; Oakland Woods will make a reservation for those who sign up to attend this event. Bus capacity is limited, however, residents may drive themselves and still participate in this event. Call the office or **sign up by December 5th** if you plan to participate.

Finally, the **Village of Oakland Woods' Annual Christmas Party** will be held on **Saturday, December 17th!** The theme of the party this year is “**A Heavenly Christmas**”; this event will feature a beautiful atmosphere and special time celebrating the season with neighbors and friends.

Open to all residents and 1 guest per resident, tickets include a catered meal, entertainment, and raffle ticket

This event requires each resident to **RSVP by December 9th**

Cost to attend is \$10 per person; proper attire required

Doors open at 4:30pm and dinner is served at 5pm with a performance to follow at 6pm.

As we close out the year 2022, it is particularly important to celebrate all of the beauty in the midst of hard times and to rejoice in the blessings we have been given this year! We hope you all have a peaceful and joyful holiday season!!



Resident Council News

Becky Bolden
Resident Council Vice President

Fa-La-La....It's time to get your "Jingle" on!

The true meaning of Christmas Holiday is the Spirit of Giving. Our winter charity collection has begun. It will run through the end of January 2023. Felicia Hollis is the chairperson. She contacted the lighthouse and the Village of Oakland Woods will be collecting the following items, **bars of soap, paper towel and toilet paper**. To donate to the Battered Women's Shelter in Pontiac. The collection box will be in the exercise area.

The Veterans day Lunch celebration was a huge success. Thanks to our great staff.

We hope to see you at our Christmas Program given my Irene Patterson prayer group, on December 2nd at 12 Noon.

The Village Chorus is presenting a Christmas Carol Sing-a-Long on Wednesday, December 14th at 2:00pm. All Residents are invited to attend this fun filled event. We will sing Christmas favorites, play trivia games and enjoy refreshments together. You don't want to miss it.



Also, if you would like to join the Chorus, come to our practice on Wednesdays at 11:30am in the Community Center dining room. No tryouts or auditions are required. For more information, please contact Vernice Harper @ 248-622-4470

Resident Council Board

Becky Bolden, Vice President

(248) 766-3684

Vernice Harper, Secretary

(248) 622-4470

Joyce Parlor, Treasurer

(248) 210-5678



Birthday Celebration!

The Birthday Party will be held on Friday, December 9th. Join us in the community room at 1:00pm for refreshments, bingo and prizes!

Sharon Dahl 12/2

Troy Richardson 12/6

Dorothy Keyes 12/7

Linda Hondo 12/8

Mammie Wiggins 12/9

Jerri Brain 12/11

Jessica Martins 12/12 Staff

Judith Farley 12/12

Linda Wyatt 12/14

Mardina Bothuel 12/16

Josephine Keat 12/17

Bethann Ross 12/17

Janet DeVold 12/17

Bessie Page 12/18

Mildred Jones 12/19

Marie Richter 12/19

Nicholas Prevas 12/19

Debra Esters 12/21

Edith Gutowski 12/24

Steven Robbins 12/24

Birth of Jesus 12/25

Charles Rice 12/28

Matthew Meyers 12/29 Staff

Douglas Garrett 12/29

Gloria McConner 12/29

Charlene Woods 12/29

David Piotrowski 12/30

SUN

MON

TUE

WED

THUR

FRI

SAT

Large Calendars are Available at the Activities Table

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10:30 Fitness
Foundation
with Jessica

11:30 "Power of
Positivity"
Presentation with
Lerone

5

10:00 God's
Word and
Prayer

11:00 Gentlemens'
Coffee Hour

6

10:30 Fitness Class
with Hillary
11:30 Village Chorus
1:00 Grocery Bus Trip -
Hollywood
4:00 Christmas Bus Trip! -
Ram's Horn/Rochester
Lights

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8

OFFICE
CLOSED at
12pm
10:00 Ladies' Coffee
Hour

9

LAST DAY TO RSVP
FOR CHRISTMAS
PARTY!
10:30 Fitness Foundation
with Jessica
1:00 BIRTHDAYS AND
BINGO! - Ugly Sweater
Christmas Party

10

11

10:30 Fitness
Foundation
with Jessica

11:30 "Body and Soul
Care" - Care +
Connect

13

10:00 God's
Word and
Prayer

11:00 Ladies' Coffee
Hour

14

10:30 Fitness
Class with
Hillary
11:30 Grocery Bus
Trip - Walmart
2:00 Christmas
Sing-A-Long

15

OFFICE
CLOSED at
12pm
10:00 Gentlemens'
Coffee Hour

16

OFFICE
CLOSED at
2:30
11:30 Holiday on a
Budget Cooking
Event with Wayne
State

17

4:30 ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS
PARTY

18

Hanukkah
1:15 Brain/Body
Fitness Trivia With
Dr. Steve

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10:00 God's
Word and
Prayer

11:00 Gentlemens'
Coffee Hour
1:00 Christmas
Cookie Decorating

21

10:30 Fitness
Class with
Hillary
1:00 Grocery Bus Trip
- Meijer

22

Focus Hope
OFFICE
CLOSED at 12pm
10:00 Ladies' Coffee
Hour

23

OFFICE
CLOSED at
12pm
10:30 Fitness
Foundation with
Jessica

24

Christmas Eve

25

Christmas Day
OFFICE
CLOSED

26

Kwanzaa
OFFICE
CLOSED

27

10:00 God's
Word and
Prayer

11:00 Ladies' Coffee
Hour

28

10:30 Fitness
Class with
Hillary
12:00 Call to Prayer
(Board Room)
1:00 Grocery Bus Trip
- Kroger

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OFFICE
CLOSED at
12pm

30

10:30 Fitness
Foundation
with Jessica
1:00 Game Day!

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New Year's Eve

December 2022

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