

December 2
Cyber Monday

December 3
Giving Tuesday

December 7
Pearl Harbor
Remembrance

December 9
Pink Elephant Social

December 21
Start of Winter
(Winter Solstice)

December 22-30
Hanukkah

December 25
Christmas

December 26 - January 1
Kwanzaa

**December 3, 10, 17,
23, & 31**
Christmas Shopping Trips

**Merry
Christmas**
& HAPPY NEW YEAR!

DECEMBER '19 NEWSLETTER



Hello Residents,

So grateful for our residents and their families. We truly are blessed to care for each one of you. You have made Rosewood a special place to live and thrive. It's such an exciting time of the year at Rosewood. We look forward to the many exciting events planned– the annual December Candlelight Dinner for residents is a special night of great food, holiday drinks and entertainment as senior leadership acts as your servers. That is followed by the annual Christmas Extravaganza, where residents and their families join in an extraordinary display of mouthwatering desserts. This includes my own version of that New Orleans favorite, prepared while you watch... Bananas Foster, a wonderful combination of caramelized bananas, spiced rum, banana liqueur, oranges and vanilla bean ice cream! All while Santa and Mrs. Clause greet you and your family... Ho Ho Ho!

So, when do you put up your Christmas decorations? Do you wait till after Thanksgiving or do you get started earlier? Rosewood and all the elves will be hard at work making our home look festive and inviting for all of you. So what is Santa bringing you this year? My hope is that all of you will get health and happiness. More than all this, it's a time to share with each other how thankful we are for the birth of our Savior. That special night where a child was born in Bethlehem who brought us all the most important gift of all– eternal salvation.

For those who may be interested in making a donation to the 2019 Caregiver Appreciation Fund, we will be distributing the funds Christmas week. Simply drop or mail your gift in our Business Office. We are so appreciative of your generosity for our care team.

Greg Pflug,
Executive Director



Spotlight on Ministry — November

We are so blessed to have community ministries and congregations partner with us to bring a rich spiritual life to our residents. Many of these ministries have been committed to Rosewood for more than 20 years. Some of the ways ministries serve here are: home visits, prayer requests and follow-ups, bible study groups, weekly praise and worship, choir and singing groups, vacation bible school, seasonal and holiday gift giving, sponsor a party, grief counseling and Christmas in July. We thank them all, and are looking forward to our growing partnership in 2020. Come join our ministry team! Contact: Sharon Shedrick, LED.



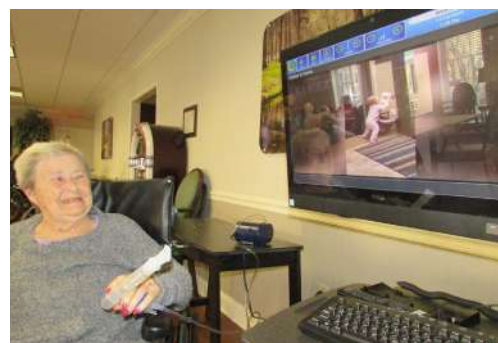
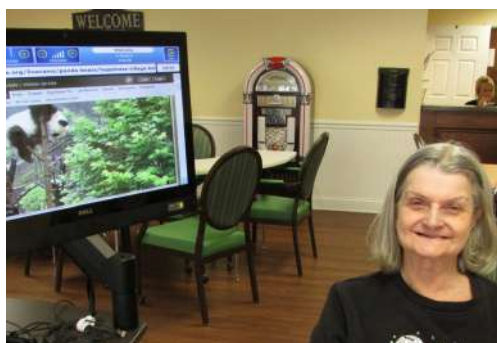
Saluting Our Veterans — November 11th

Surrounded by the stars and stripes, we gathered to pay tribute to our Veterans. As Patriotic Ballads played in the background we watched our residents join in to sing the words. Memories of years past reminded them of the places they stood in war and peace. Stories from the wives and mothers of soldiers, airmen, coast guards and marines were the ones who really touched our hearts. When looking in the eyes of the men who served, you can still see that fire and the drive they had as young men. You can feel that they did it from their hearts, some with fear, some with duty, but mostly because of devotion to our country!



Pathways' Bountiful Autumn — October and November

Autumn provided Pathways' residents with a wonderful assortment of special occasions and activities. From lunch outings at great restaurants to a "best" pie social (it was a tie between the chocolate pie and the pecan pie) to fun autumn crafts and fine entertainers, Pathways residents enjoyed good times aplenty! The highlight of the autumn season, however, had to be the Halloween Trick or Treat night at Rosewood. Residents dressed up in Halloween gear and handed out candy to some very excited children. Both residents and children expressed delight with one another. Halloween was the jewel in autumn's crown, and a terrific success for all!



IN2L - Fun for Every Occasion — Ongoing

Rosewood's IN2L (It's Never Too Late) program is a great deal of fun for Pathways residents. The program's nearly endless supply of diverse games and activities provides entertainment and educational benefits for residents. From sensory and word games to fascinating travel shows, there's something of interest for everyone. The IN2L program also includes audio books, art projects, physical fitness routines, devotional videos, inspirational stories, cooking shows, classic TV, and every kind of music imaginable. If that wasn't enough, IN2L also showcases residents' personal stories and interests. IN2L opens up the world for residents.



Community Project for the Homeless

From December 2nd to January 2nd

We're so excited to be kicking off Rosewood's new Community Project for the Homeless. This is a project that we will continue throughout 2020 in various ways. Each project will be announced in the monthly newsletter and updates will be given on our progress. Our project for the month of December 2019 will be to collect warm items that homeless men, women and children can wear on their head, hands or feet. We will begin collecting these items Monday December 2nd – Thursday January 2nd, 2020. A collection box will be set up in the Discovery Center. All sizes are needed in hats, scarves, socks, gloves and mittens.



Residents Pink Elephant Social

December 9th at 2:00 pm

Oh my, a Pink Elephant is coming! All residents are invited. Remember that gift you got last Christmas or for a birthday that you never used? Now is the time to re-gift it! Bring your gently used wrapped gift to be re-gifted at the Pink Elephant Social. Let's have fun gift giving through practical re-cycling. What you don't like someone else will love! See you there!



Christmas Shopping Trips

December Schedule 2019

Shop 'til you drop at the Walmart Supercenter and The Dollar Tree. Walmart trips all leave Rosewood at 9:30 am on the following dates: December 3rd, 10th, 17th, 23rd, and 31st.

The Dollar Tree Trip is at 2:00 pm on December 11th and 20th. Please sign up in advance with Megan. If you need assistance getting ready for the trip, please let your caregiver know.



Pathways Pizza Party Social

January 9th at 2:00 pm

What better way to combat the cold, cold temps of January than with an assortment of warm and wonderful pizzas? On Thursday, January 9th, Pathways residents will enjoy the cheesy, please-y aroma and flavor of pepperoni, mushrooms, olives or whatever temptingly tasty ingredients the pizzas can offer. It will be amoré at first bite!



Hawaiian Luau

January 17th at 2:00 pm

On Friday, January 17th, Pathways residents will toss aside their winter coats and put on hula skirts and flower leis. Bring on the ukuleles and the Don Ho music — Pathways residents are having a luau! Whatever the weather outside, the sun will be shining in Pathways as residents enjoy Hawaiian music, cuisine and drinks. Aloha!



IN2L: Martin Luther King, Jr.

January 20th at 9:30 am

On Monday, January 20th, Pathways residents will pay tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. Thanks to Rosewood's IN2L (It's Never Too Late) program, residents will be able to explore the history and highlights of the Civil Rights leader. As the nation honors Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Pathways residents will be a part of it all.



Chinese New Year Celebration

January 24th at 2:00 pm

On Friday, January 24th, Pathways residents will get an early start to celebrating the Chinese New Year. To ring in the New Year with fortune and fun, residents will receive goodies and treats sure to make them smile! It will be a very fortunate day, indeed, for Pathways residents.

**Save
the
Date**

December 24th at 12:00pm — Christmas Carol Sing Along
with Our Executive Directors and Department Managers



Shelby Jean Bercham

Jean has lived here at Rosewood since July of 2016. Jean is a mother of two children. She cherishes the memory of Mr. Burcham. She loves her family very much and speaks of them daily. She retired from Memorial Hospital and supported her husband's racing career. She enjoyed baking and running her family's junk yard as a bookkeeper. Here at Rosewood, Jean is a great supporter of the Life Enrichment Department. She is an avid Buddy Bingo Player. She loves doing crafts, and is proud of her art corner cabinets in her room.

FUN FACTS

- » The Statue of Liberty was gifted to the US by the French on Christmas day in 1886. It weighs 225 tons and thus you could consider it as the biggest Christmas gift in the world.
- » It's believed that the origin of Christmas dates back to ancient Egyptians and Romans, who marked the winter solstice with evergreens as a reminder that spring would return soon. But it wasn't until Prince Albert of Germany introduced the tree to his wife, Queen Victoria of England, that the tradition really took off.
- » The first Christmas card design is thought to have been printed in England in 1843. The design was of a family party, beneath which were the words "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You."
- » In 1647 Oliver Cromwell, English Puritan leader, banned the festivities of Christmas for being seen as immoral on such a holy day. Anyone who was seen celebrating was arrested! The ban was lifted in 1660.

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS!

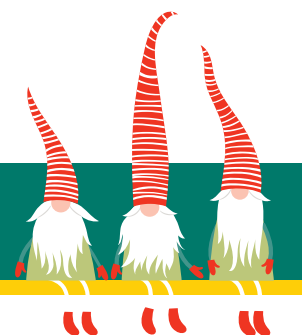


Michelle Fitzsimmons

Marion Hilliard

Lynn Wemmer

Happy birthday



Resident

Betty Brackett	Dec. 5
Nell Roger	Dec. 6
Nina Whittlesey	Dec. 7
Carolyn Tanner	Dec. 10
Vera Palmer	Dec. 20
Bobby Padgett	Dec. 24
Dorothy Gothard	Dec. 25

Employee

Jodi Reno	Dec. 1
Leann Chapman	Dec. 2
Marion Bailey	Dec. 7
Terri Cleveland	Dec. 8
Garl Carter	Dec. 10
Daniella Garnica	Dec. 12
Katelin Dixon	Dec. 21
Greg Martin	Dec. 26
Kin Fitzsimmons	Dec. 28
Johnathan Coleman	Dec. 29



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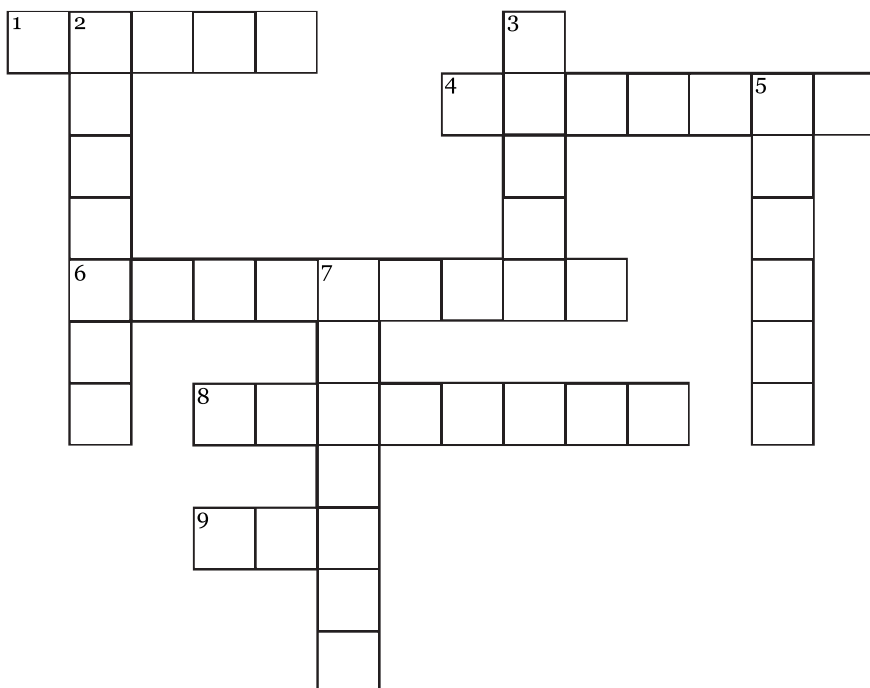
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NATIVITY
POINSETTIA
RUDOLPH

SLEIGH
SNOWFLAKE
SNOWMAN

STUFFING
TINSEL
WREATH

CROSS-WORD



Across

1. A religious folk song or popular hymn.
4. First US state to officially recognize Christmas as a holiday.
6. An accessory or detail used to beautify the appearance of something.
8. A Jewish holiday that commemorates the dedicating of the second temple in Jerusalem.
9. Type of tree used for Christmas.

Down

2. Name of one of the ships that sunk during the Pearl Harbor attack.
3. Rain that freezes as it falls.
5. Poinsettias are native to _____.
7. Candle holder used at Hanukkah.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

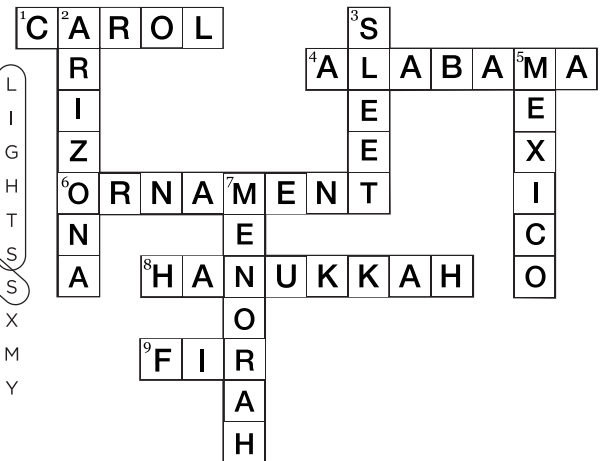
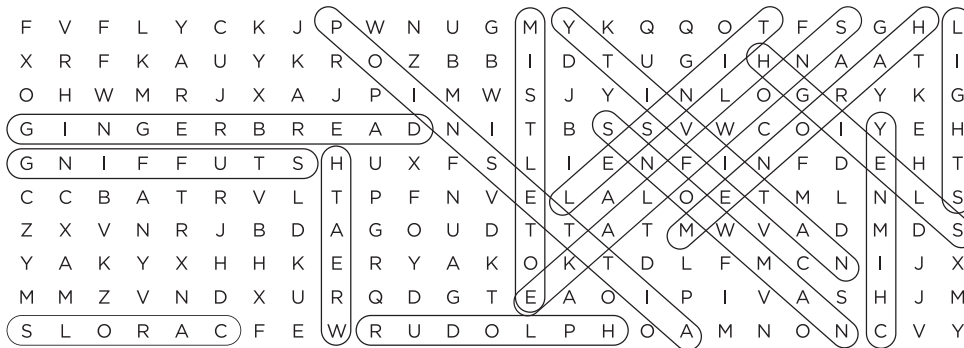
Pam Harris



Pam is a dedicated Team Member. Her heart belongs to our residents. She goes the extra mile everyday! She is a joy to work with. Pam is from Fort Payne, AL and has been employed at Rosewood for over eight years. Pam has one son, Shawn, and a grandson, Noah. She is also an animal lover, and owns a dog name Charlie.



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