# THE ORCHARD SCOOP

Orchard Heights 5200 Chestnut Ridge Road Orchard Park, New York 14127



**January 2022** 



Santa made it in during quarantine to deliver gifts to all of our residents. The Grinch and Frosty



On Christmas Day, Peter Van Scozza



A friendly visit from Santa!



A trip to the Botanical Gardens



A concert by the Buffalo Gals!



Trimming the tree and getting the star just right!

### A letter from Tami Jo-Assistant Administrator



Dear Orchard Heights residents,

We just wanted to take a moment to say thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate the challenges that this pandemic has brought us. As you may know, COVID 19 cases are rising throughout the country, state and county and here at Orchard Heights we have had several residents and staff test positive for COVID 19 in the last few weeks. Please know that we are doing everything we can to protect you and there are a few ways you can protect

yourself and others.

First, it is always important to practice good hand hygiene, but it is especially critical now. Make sure to wash your hands several times a day with antibacterial soap. Next, wear a mask when you are outside of your room. If you need a mask, just ask. We have plenty to go around. Finally, keep your distance. It can get lonely in your room but staying away from others can go a long way to protect you from getting COVID 19. When you are outside of your room, practice social distancing by standing 6 feet away from the nearest person to you.

What happens if you get COVID-19? Not everyone who gets COVID feels sick. Sometimes, people's symptoms are very mild like a small cold. Other times people can feel very ill, everyone is different. Our nursing team will monitor your symptoms and treat you accordingly. The first thing we do is quarantine you to your room for 10 days. The staff will wear special protective clothing to prevent the spread of the virus and will deliver your meals and your medications.

Dealing with COVID can be scary and makes some people very nervous. You don't have to go through anything alone. We are here to answer your questions and support you, so please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

Happy New Year and Well Wishes!

Tami Jo

### **January Entertainers**

- Lyle Stang-One man band-January 1
- Mike Horning-Piano-January 8
- Vince Martino-eclectic-January 15
- The Kindred-Duet, Cello/ vocals-January 22
- Matt Tritto-Saxophone-January 29



## **Special Offerings**

- Scenic Rides
- Mass at
   St. Bernadettes Parish
- Disco Day
- Trivia Championship Day
- Coffee from around the world



#### Best wishes for a terrific January Birthday

#### Welcome

#### Residents

#### Lois Wenk January 1 Elizabeth Clauss January 2 John Danna January 3 January 6 Mary Story Michele Fisher January 9 January 18 Donna Gurevich Jeanette Kuck January 27 Doris Lloyd January 27 Daniel Lack January 27

#### **Coworkers**

Noriah Almontaser	January 1
Nicole Brunn	January 8
Sheri White	January 15
Nadine Heath	January 26
Marie Smith	January 29
Denise Siuda	January 30
Christine Smith	January 30



Francis Kolasz Marjory Sgroi Dorothy Spiess Ronald Wnuk Joseph Nash Dorothy Fahy



### Resident of the Month-Clara Vredenburg



Clara has made Orchard Heights her home for the past two years and considers everyone here her extended family and it shows in the way she shares kindness and joy with everyone she comes into contact with. She was born during the Spanish flu in Cleveland Ohio. She is the mother of one and step mother of four, grandmother to 10 and great grandmother to 18. At one time she worked as Rosie the Rivetter and kept the morale up by singing with everyone. She went back to school at age 50 and became assistant to the treasurer where she worked. Clara traveled for 8 years in their mobile home. She remains active in our community attending many programs and giving great insights during our Bible study. Congratulations Clara!

### Resident of the Month-JP Mathieu



Originally from Fall River, Mass. JP is the father of six. He is a US Army veteran. Sports such as baseball, hockey, golf, table tennis, fishing, sailing, waterskiing and swimming are favorite past times of his. He also enjoys cooking outside, movies and parties. JP loves to have fun, joke around and help others and it is for these reasons that he was chosen Resident of the month this month. Congratulations JP and thank you for all you do for all of us!

## Co-Worker of the Month — Tracy Baun



It is our privilege to recognize Tracy for taking care of the residents of Orchard Heights for 30 years. She has served as charge nurse on Harmony lane for many years taking excellent care of each person's individual needs. She is a very compassionate and dedicated nurse. Tracy makes her home in Orchard Park with her husband and two children. She enjoys a quiet life. In her spare time she enjoys kayaking and camping with her family. Congratulations Tracy and thank you for all you do!

### **Word search Puzzle**

### **Mammals**

All the words are hidden vertically, horizontally or diagonally—in both directions. The letters that remain unused form a sentence from left to right.



GORILLA HARP SEAL HORNBILL HORSE HYENA INDRI KANGAROO KUDU LION MOUNTAIN HARE MUSKRAT OKAPI PIG PLATYPUS POLAR BEAR PORPOISE RED DEER RINGED SEAL SABLE

TARPAN



ALPINE SHREW BINTURONG BISON DOLPHIN

FERRET FIELD VOLE GIRAFFE

### **January Fun Facts**



- ♦ In Pasadena, <u>California</u>, there has been a Rose Parade held every year since 1890. It has since been broadcasted worldwide and is typically viewed in over 100 countries around the globe.
- In leap years, January always starts on the same day as <u>April</u> and <u>July</u>.
- January was a monumental year for <u>Alaska!</u> As of <u>January 3</u>, 1959, Alaska officially became the 49<sup>th</sup> state of the United States.
- Are you a fan of the stars? Celebrities, that is! Then you'll be interested to know that the first-ever Emmy Awards were held on <u>January 25</u>, 1949.
- Ten Historical Figures Born in January:Paul Revere, 1735, Betsy Ross, 1752,President Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1882,President William McKinley, 1843,Edgar Allen Poe, 1809,James Madison Randolph, first child born in the White House, 1806,Martin Luther King Jr., 1929,President Richard M. Nixon, 1913, President Milliard Fillmore (who?), 1800,First Lady Helen Taft, 1861
- Elvis Presley's birthday is January 8.

### Happy New Year from Your Management Team!!

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