

Morning Star Village

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December Dates to Note

Hallway Bingo and Crafts Throughout the Month

Decorating Stockings 2

Weekend Virtual Visits Begin 5

Hallway Christmas Caroling &

Santa Visits 23 Christmas Luncheon for Resi- 25

Christmas Luncheon for Residents

New Year's Eve/December Birthday Dinner for

Residents

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The Christmas Carol "Silent Night" was first performed on Christmas Eve in 1818 at St. Nicholas Parish in Oberndorf, Austria. The lyrics "all is calm, all is bright" have brought comfort and joy to so many over the years.

This Christmas, which happens to fall during a global pandemic, may seem to be anything but calm and bright.

This year has brought many hardships, heartaches and sadness to so many. Although it is easy to focus on the negative, we do have much to be thankful for, even though we struggle at times to remember that.

We here at Morning Star Village are thankful for the residents we have been entrusted to care for, during the easy times but also during the difficult ones.

We are thankful for the family members we have been blessed to meet through our residents here.

We are thankful for our loving, compassionate staff who continue to provide the best possible care to our residents, all while taking the extra precautions necessary to keep those they care for healthy and safe and

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happy.

Although Christmas will look and feel very different for all of us this year, we are still blessed with the love of family and friends this holiday season.

May this Christmas end the present year on a cheerful note and make way for a fresh and brighter New Year. Here's wishing you and your families near and far a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Extra Days for Virtual Visits

Our Virtual Visits have been so successful here at Morning Star Village that we will be adding weekend calls to our schedule starting December 5th.

To schedule a Virtual Visit with your loved one, go to our website, www.livewithmorningstar.com and follow the directions listed there. Visits are scheduled on the half hour and will last 20 minutes to allow staff enough time to sanitize the calling area and set up for the next call. Be sure to add us as a contact before your scheduled call time: MSVSkype@gmail.com.



MSV Staff Celebrating Work Anniversaries this Month

Lou Dallman-11 Years

♥ Our Staff

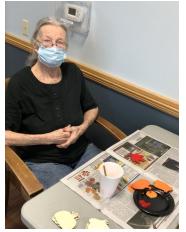
We welcomed Mavis Stoll to













Be sure to visit our Facebook page and our website to see even more photos!

News From Our Therapy Department

God the weather outside is frightful, but inside MSV it's so delightful!" 🞵

Don't let the cold and snow discourage you from keeping fit. Remember that you not only have to keep your body fit but your mind as well.

Try our Twelve Days of Christmas Self Care Challenge.

Day 1: Take a brisk walk in your hallway

Day 2: Work on a word search puzzle today

Day 3: Order a side salad along with an order of vegetables

Day 4: Step outside and take some big breaths of fresh air

Day 5: Drink an extra glass of water

Day 6: Participate in the 10 am **Exercise Class**

Day 7: Do some gentle stretching today

Day 8: Make sure to get a good solid 8 hours of sleep tonight

Day 9: Call someone you love or better yet- schedule a virtual visit with them

Day 10: Eat less sugar today and add an extra protein serving to your lunch or dinner

Day 11: Listen to some music and be sure to sing along

Day 12: Find a friend to walk the hallways with

Then-start it all over again!

We always have jig saw puzzles, books, word search and crossword puzzles available- let Latonya know if you want any of these for your apartment.

Here's to taking good care of ourselves this winter!