

December NEWSLETTER



A Message from the Owner

Dear families,

As December unfolds and the holidays fill our homes with light and warmth, I find myself reflecting with deep gratitude on the year we have shared together at St. Jude's. This season is a beautiful reminder of the importance of connection, kindness, and the people who make our community feel like family.

To our families, thank you for the trust you place in us and for allowing us to be part of your loved ones' lives. To our caregivers, I am endlessly grateful for your compassion, dedication, and the care you bring into our homes each day. Your presence makes a difference in ways both big and small, and it does not go unnoticed.

This December has been filled with festive moments across our homes, from holiday crafts and decorations to music, laughter, and time spent together creating meaningful memories. These joyful touches capture the spirit of the season and reflect the heart of the care we provide year-round.

As we look ahead to the new year, I am excited for what's to come and thankful to continue this journey with such a supportive and caring community. Thank you for being part of the St. Jude's family and for making this year one filled with warmth, connection, and heart.

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful and peaceful holiday season.

With sincere appreciation,
Judy Ragano

Seasonal Songs Bring Joy to St. Jude's

St. Jude's was delighted to welcome students from St. Lucy's choir, whose visit brought music, cheer, and seasonal spirit into our home. The performance held special significance for Sr. Helen, a newer resident who previously worked at St. Lucy's, making the connection especially heartfelt. With the home already dressed for the season, caregivers and residents added extra festive touches in anticipation of the girls' arrival.

The choir's beautiful voices filled the space, creating a joyful atmosphere that was felt throughout the home. We extend our sincere thanks to St. Lucy's for sharing their talent, time, and holiday cheer with our residents.



Holiday Cheer at St. Jude's

'Tis the season at St. Jude's. From decorating the tree and holiday baking to festive crafts, ornament-making, and joyful music, the home has been full of cheer. We've also loved welcoming families to join in the fun and celebrate the season together.



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Holiday Reminders and Christmas Day Celebrations

As Christmas Day approaches, we're looking forward to celebrating together with a ham dinner and all the fixings at each St. Jude's home. Families are always welcome to visit and share in the holiday with us.

A small holiday gift will also be waiting under the tree at each home. Cookie tins for our families, shared with love from St. Jude's. If we happen to miss each other during your visit, please be sure to pick up your tin before you go.

While the holiday season brings celebration and activity, we also recognize that some of our residents prefer a quieter pace during this time. We are mindful of each individual's comfort and preferences, and we work thoughtfully to ensure every resident can enjoy the season in the way that feels best to them, whether that means joining in the festivities or spending time in calm, familiar routines.

If you have any questions or need support during the holiday season, please don't hesitate to reach out. We're always happy to connect and appreciate the opportunity to care for your loved ones as part of the St. Jude's community.



Birthday Celebrations at St. Jude's



We'd like to take a moment to recognize our late November birthdays, which took place after last month's newsletter was published. Moon Kim, who turned 91 on November 23, and Gregory Emerson, who turned 76 on November 28, were each celebrated at their respective homes with staff and residents joining in the festivities.

These celebrations also marked the start of our holiday season, adding an extra layer of joy as families were welcomed into the homes to celebrate together.

Facilities Updates and 2025 Home Enhancements

We are happy to share that construction at our Donna Beth home is moving ahead of schedule, with resident safety and comfort remaining our top priority as contractors complete the work. Throughout this fiscal year, we have completed several meaningful upgrades across our homes, including new furniture, refreshed spaces, upgraded appliances, and our transition into the beautiful Donna Beth home in West Covina. We remain committed to maintaining well-cared-for homes that support our residents, families, and caregivers, and we are grateful to continue making improvements that enhance comfort and care.

