

DECEMBER 2022

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*A word from your  
ADMINISTRATOR*

Dear Residents,

The holiday season is upon us and everyone is in good spirits, enjoying the cooler weather, shopping and keeping busy.

Our Activities team have lots of fun activities plan out for this month. On December 2nd we will be going to the Ceramic Store and later that day, we will be decorating the Tree of Life, honoring our loved ones. Don't forget, our Christmas Parade will be on December 10th and we are looking forward to having you all out supporting our float. December 16th we will be going out to the Casino at Seminole. On December 22nd will be having our Christmas Party which family and friends are welcome to join in the fun.

For a complete list of activities, be sure to check out the Activities Calendar.

The New Year is coming up very quickly. Please let us know if you are planning for your loved one to spend the New Year with you so we can be prepared!

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a bright and happy, healthy New Year!

*Lisa Synakowski*

Lisa Synakowski, L.P.N.  
Assistant Administrator





*Chef's  
SPECIAL*

**LOBSTER**  
*Ravioli Carbonara*



Soft lobster filled pasta pillows,  
sautéed w/ cream, parmesan,  
applewood smoked ham and peas

*Happy  
BIRTHDAY!!!*



**DEC  
01**

Jean N.

**DEC  
03**

Mac M.

**DEC  
21**

Margaret D.



*New Move-In  
WELCOME!!*

Louise Q.  
Barbara S.  
Michael S.



### RIDDLES



1. What do you call a disrespectful reindeer?
2. Why didn't the stocking want to eat Christmas dinner?
3. Where do Santa and the elves go for a swim?
4. What kind of pictures do elves take?
5. What's white, red, and blue at Christmas time?
6. Where do snowmen go to dance?
7. Why do mummies like Christmas so much?







Bonnie was born on May 16 in Ft Lauderdale, Florida. Her dad John, was a County Attorney and her mom Betty, was a registered nurse. She has two step brothers.

She remembered as a child, her mom having a goat and she wanted to have the goat sleep on her bed, but her mom made a cot for both of them to sleep on and the next morning, seeing droppings all over the cot, she never wanted to do that again. Horses are her favorite animal, she used to go riding with her friends in the woods. Bonnie has a passion for horses and even had one of her own when she was just four years old, his name was Blitzen.

She was in her early twenties when she competed in a horse race with a Grand Champion horse and won first place. She was so proud of herself competing in such a prestigious race. She is very passionate about her horses and loves talking about them. She attended Stranahan High School. Bonnie did not want to go to college because she knew she was going to get married after graduating.

After graduating from high school, she got married to the love of her life, David. They grew up together as young kids. She knew him when she was four years old, he was a year older than her. She said, "I knew he was going to be my husband even at that age." He asked her out and on their first date, when she was just about be a teenager. He took her horseback riding, which was her favorite thing to do. He also grew up around horses. They dated until she graduated then tied the knot.

After getting married, they moved to Okeechobee. They had their first child, Dewey, a year later, who was named after his Great Grandfather, who was the Major of Oakland Park in Ft. Lauderdale at that time. Then came her second son David Russell. Having her kids was the happiest time of her life. Bonnie had three grandchildren that she adored, she lost one, who was only twenty-one years of age who died in an accident. She is very proud of her other two grandchildren Ryan and Michael, both are in medical school. The life advice she would pass along to them, would be to get saved by Christ.

Bonnie worked for the post office as a rural carrier for ten years and also worked in real estate for over 20 years. Bonnie wanted to follow in her father's footsteps and be an attorney but as the years went by, things changed.

When Bonnie's husband passed, she kept herself busy with work and her horses. After retiring, Bonnie moved in to Grand Oaks in January of 2021. She said she loves living at Grand Oaks because she enjoys the company of the residents and the staff.





# December 2022

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday  |
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|   |  |   |  | <b>Jean N's Birthday 1</b><br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Crafts<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Penny Poker<br>6:00 Dominos | 2<br><b>Mac's Birthday</b><br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Ceramic Store / Lunch<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Ringtoss<br>6:00 Checkers | 3<br>9:30 Porch Talk<br>10am Dice Game<br>2pm BINGO<br>3pm Build a Word<br>6pm Dominos                    |
| 4<br>9:30 Bible Study with Charlie<br>10am Rummibuk<br>2pm MOVIE<br>6pm Puzzles                     | 5<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Crafts<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Penny Poker<br>6:00 Checkers                | 6<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Walmart<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Songs by WJ<br>6:00 Dominos             | 7<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Crafts<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 BINGO<br>6:00 Uno   | 8<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Mini Mani<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 LCR<br>6:00 Jenga                                 | 9<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Shopping<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Bowling<br>6:00 Rummikub                | 10<br>9:30 Porch Talk<br>10am Dice Game<br>2pm BINGO<br>6pm Okeechobee Christmas Parade                   |
| 11<br>9:30 Bible Study with Charlie<br>10am Rummibuk<br>2pm MOVIE<br>6pm Puzzles                    | 12<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Country Kitchen<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 BINGO<br>6:00 Checkers                                    | 13<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Walmart<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 LCR<br>6:00                            | 14<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Crafts<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Jodi on the Piano  | 15<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Crafts<br>11:00 Price is right<br>2:00 BIRTHDAY PARTY<br>6:00 Checkers                                    | 16<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 CASINO<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Hangman<br>6:00 Jenga  | 17<br>9:30 Porch Talk<br>10am Dice Game<br>2pm BINGO<br>3pm Build a Word<br>6pm Dominos                   |
| 18<br>9:30 Bible Study with Charlie<br>10am Rummibuk<br>2pm MOVIE<br>6pm Puzzles<br>Hanukkah Begins | 19<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Crafts<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 LCR<br>6:00 Rummikub                       | 20<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Salvation Army Trip / Lunch<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Trivia<br>6:00 Uno | 21<br><b>Margaret's Birthday</b><br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Crafts<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 BINGO<br>6:00 Jenga<br>Winter Begins | 22<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Trivia<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Johnny Cash Christmas Special<br>6:00 Rummikub      | 23<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Scrabble<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Friday Happy Hour<br>6:00 Rummikub     | 24<br>9:30 Porch Talk<br>10am Dice Game<br>2pm BINGO<br>3pm Build a Word<br>6pm Dominos                   |
|                  | 26<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Mini Mani<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 BINGO<br>6:00 Dominos<br>Kwanzaa Begins | 27<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Walmart<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 LCR<br>6:00 Checkers                   | 28<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Country Kitchen<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Wheel of Fortune<br>6:00 Uno  | 29<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Crafts<br>11:00 Price is right<br>2:00 Wine & Cheese Social<br>6:00 Rummikub                              | 30<br>9:30 Sit & Fit<br>10:00 Scrabble<br>11:00 Price is right<br>12:00 Lunch<br>2:00 Penny Poker<br>6:00 Jenga              | 31<br>9:30 Porch Talk<br>10am Dice Game<br>2pm BINGO<br>3pm Build a Word<br>6pm Dominos<br>New Year's Eve |

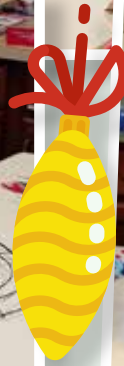
THIS CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE SEE DAILY ACTIVITY BOARD.















## Calendar Spotlight

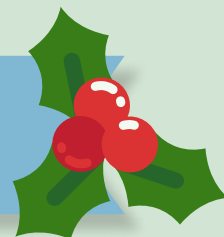


*Our Roots  
Run Deep*  
IN OUR  
COMMUNITY



*December 16*

Casino at Seminole Trip!!  
10:00 am



*December 25*

Merry Christmas!



*December 29*

Wine and Cheese Social  
2:00 pm

Riddle Answers:

1. Rude-olph
2. He was stuffed!
3. The North Pool
4. Elfies
5. A sad candy cane!
6. The snowball
7. Because of all the wrapping!