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Fall is upon us, with cooler temperatures on the way. I know I am looking forward to the change in the weather.

Our activities team has been busy planning a lot of fun activities for this month. On Thursday, November 17th, we will have our Harvest Festival Party with Paul, you don't want to miss it! Thanksgiving is Thursday, November 24th with our traditional turkey dinner. Friday, November 25th is our Black Friday DD's Shopping and Lunch trip.

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

The holiday season is coming up and we hope to have a healthy one. Please let us know if you are planning for your loved one to spend the holiday with you so we can be prepared!

I hope everyone has a wonderful month and a Happy Thanksgiving!

Lisa Synakowski

Lisa Synakowski, L.P.N. Assistant Administrator





LINGUINI CARBONARA



Pan seared chicken with diced garlic, bacon, and green peas tossed in linguini. Served with a rich parmesan, cream and egg sauce.

Happy BIRTHDAY!!!



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Patricia B.

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Amy S.



Jim R.





RIDDLES

- 1. What is the name of the cranberry that isn't happy?
- 2. What is a Turkey's least favorite day of the year?
- 3. It has ears but it cannot hear and it has flakes but it has no hair. What is it?
- 4. Why didn't the Pilgrims tell each other their secrets in the cornfield?
- 5. It's something I spy with my little eye. I'm an orange squash that is baked in a pie. What am I?
- 6. Why is it that the turkey didn't finish its dessert?



LAURA RODRIGUEZ Caregiver/Med Tech



Laura was born in Michoacán, Mexico. Laura's favorite childhood memory was when she lived with her Grandmother, her family would gather every Sunday and enjoy a big feast. They would play sports and have a fun time together. She has one sister, five aunts and uncles with many cousins.

When Laura was fifteen years old, she moved to Okeechobee, Florida. In high school Laura loved playing soccer and volleyball with her friends. She still likes to play a good game of volleyball now and then. Her role model growing up was her Aunt Eloisa. She said her grandmother didn't have enough money to send her aunt to school, so she

asked the school if she can clean in place of tuition, and the school agreed. She graduated and today she is an attorney, and has a school of her own. Laura is eager to learn and achieve her goals just like her aunt.

Laura met her husband through mutual friends. She originally set him up with a friend of hers but it didn't work out. He then moved to Orlando. When he moved back to Okeechobee they started talking and she saw him in a different light. They now have a 6 year old son named Angel together. Laura also has a 13 year old son Osbiel who is an honor roll student. She is most proud of her children and wants the best for them. Some life advice she gives them is to be grateful, don't judge others and always say please and thank you.

Her hobbies include dancing and going to the beach.

Before working at Grand Oaks, Laura worked for Truly Blessed Inc. for children with disabilities for three years, The Ark of Okeechobee for two years and also worked at Grand Oaks in 2011 for three years. She was a stay at home before returning to work in 2021. She said working at Grand Oaks Okeechobee reminds her of taking care of her grandmother. The residents have a special place in her heart.



























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