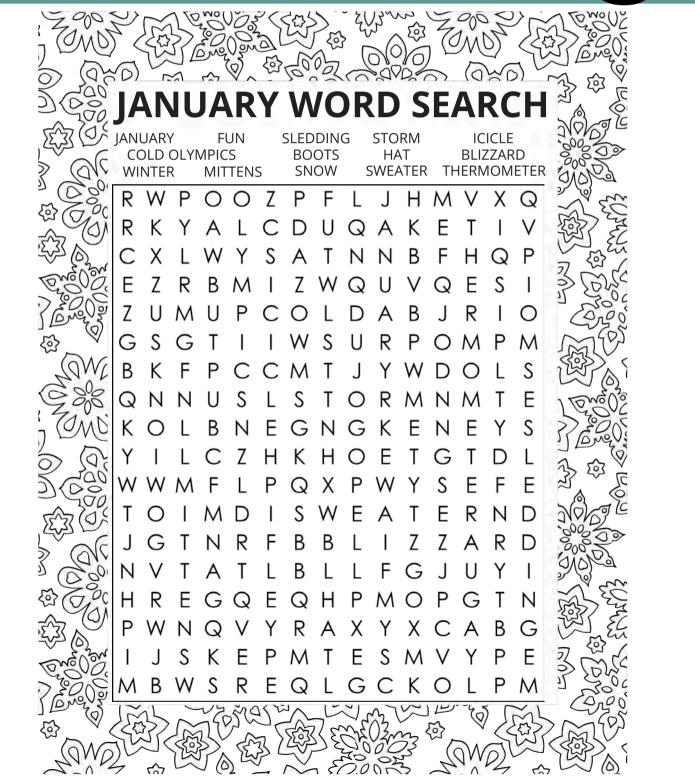


# Puzzle Page



Building peace of mind for our residents through all levels of care in one location.





## RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS

Cynthia Schwartz1/1
Joseph Vanoort1/1
Kenneth Reasor1/2
Karen Coote1/2
Kenneth Robertson1/2
Walter Raisch1/3
Charles Connell1/4
Carol Helgens1/15
Catherine Wolfe1/16
Arlene Beman1/16
Lucy Lancaster1/17
Dorris Lanning1/17
Lanette Passman1/17
Ruby Fowler1/17
Suzanne Barnes1/21
Donald Hosch1/22
Patricia Draeger1/26
Norman Wright1/30



# JANUARY 2025 COTTAGE GROVE CHRONICLES NATIONAL STAYING HEALTHY MONTH

Celebrate National Staying Healthy throughout January to kick off the new year with a special health-focused celebration. After the partying and festivities of the holidays, this month encourages everyone to focus on overall wellbeing and self-care. The goal is to encourage people to embrace a healthier lifestyle by promoting healthy routines throughout January. Make positive changes this month both physically and mentally to improve overall wellness. There are many opportunities at Cottage Grove Place to get more exercise or unwind from the stressors of day to day life. Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors to activities and inspire them to stay healthy too! There are very simple things you can do to keep a health body. Did you know you can reduce your chances of heart attack by 40% if you drink at least five glasses of water per day? And laughter can increase blood flow by 20% which is also great for your heart and cardiovascular system! Another way to help improve your health during these winter months is to pick up a book reading can reduce unhealthy stress hormone levels by 68%.

#### STAY INFORMED!

Download Community Apps on your smartphone, tablet, or desktop computer for important messages or tune in to our in-house channel!

With converter box: channel 15

Without converter box: channel 96.1

Contact Life Enrichment for assistance
Do not forget to check your in-house mailboxes regularly for important announcements and other Cottage Grove Place community updates...

#### PODIATRIST VISIT

Dr. Parker, the podiatrist, will be here on Tuesday January 7 at 9:00am in the 2nd Floor Activity Room. Be sure to sign up at the Front Desk ahead of time so we can provide him with an accurate list. Visits are on a first come, first serve basis not by appointment time. Sign in on the page when you arrive and chairs will be made available for those waiting in line.



December Employee of the Month: Dion Clay



Welcome Home! Vicki Wright

#### STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

## 1 Year

Alanna Adkins Susan Bednar Andrew Frank Cherma Hawley Abigail Howe Bianca Kesselring Ani Lona Michon Scott Kyree Williams

# 2 Years

Kaniya Davis Hudson Hamilton Deianna Johnson Nancy Lukanzu Maureen Massakidi

# 3 Years

Samantha Henriquez

# 4 Years

Angela Parker Isaac Sackett

#### <u> 5 Years</u>

Shiloh Stephen Edward Vorwald

#### 12 Years

Michael Kissman

# 16 Years

Jason Mover

# STAFF BIRTHDAYS

1 Amira Abado

1 Isabella Odubasa

4 Leslie McAlpine

5 Feza Kakota

6 Jalyn Walker

9 Imani Porter

12 Phillip Lester

12 Starleen Mateak

13 Kodzo Aganeh

17 Ryan Falck

17 Candence Long

19 Angela Noethe

20 Andrea Fuller

20 Amanda Lehman

21 Esperance Kobagize

25 Ryan Fottral

26 William Henson

28 Shannon Henderson

28 Welzie Shurtz



# TRAVEL THE WORLD HAPPY HOURS

Join us as we venture out every Friday in January for "Travel the World Happy Hour" hosted in the Cottage Grill. Food, drink and music will be themed to fit our destination each week. Residents are invited to dress as tourists or in attire fitting the culture of our location. Pack your bags and escape the winter blues with us! Passports not required. Destinations are as follows:

- Friday January 3 Germany
- Friday January 10 China
- Friday January 17 Mexico
- Friday January 24 England
- Friday January 31 Italy



# MOVIE MONDAYS IN THE THEATER ROOM

Popcorn provided, bring your own drink for the shows! Evening showings are resident-led.

Contact Life Enrichment with film suggestions for Movie Monday or for assistance with reserving the theater room.



Monday, January 6 2:30pm and 6:30pm

# The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry (2023) 1 hr, 48 mins

Harold is an ordinary man who has passed through life, living on the side lines, until he goes to post a letter one day...and just keeps walking.



Monday, January 13 2:30PM and 6:30PM

# My Penguin Friend (2024)

Rated PG 1 hr, 37 mins
Inspired by a true story; an
enchanting adventure about a lost
penguin rescued from an oil spill,
who transforms the life of a
heartbroken fisherman. They soon
become unlikely friends, so bonded
that even the vast ocean cannot
divide them.



Monday, January 20 2:30PM and 6:30PM

# **His Three Daughters** (2023)

Rated R 1 hr, 41 mins
This tense, touching and funny portrait
of family dynamics follows three
estranged sisters as they converge in a
New York apartment to care for their
ailing father and try to mend their own
broken relationship with one another.



Monday, January 27 2:30PM and 6:30PM

# Fly Me To The Moon (2024)

Rated PG-13 2 hr, 22 mins
Marketing maven Kelly Jones wreaks
havoc on launch director Cole Davis's
already difficult task. When the White
House deems the mission too
important to fail, the countdown
truly begins.

#### FORUM AT HOME IN THE THEATER ROOM

For the first three weeks of January we will continue "Forum at Home" in the Movie Theater Room until Coe Forum resumes. After wrapping up Bill Gates docuseries special we will move on to watch two independent documentaries on Thursday mornings at 8:30am. Details below:

- Thursday January 9 Mercury 13. After rigorous testing in 1961, a small group of skilled female pilots are asked to step aside when only men are selected for spaceflight. Rated TV-PG. 1 hr, 19 mins.
- <u>Thursday January 16 Mysteries of the Terracotta Warriors.</u> Discovered in 1974, The Terracotta Warriors were hailed as the world's eighth wonder. Fifty years later, what new secrets await at this iconic site. Rated TV-14. 1 hr, 17 mins.

# COE FORUM IS BACK!

This two week forum is titled Harsh Realities Drawn in Pictures: (Children's?) Literature and Social Problems of the World presented by Associate Professor of Spanish Laissa Rodriguez Moreno. It will introduce the audience to the ways children's literature can help individuals and societies navigate some of the harsh realities of our world with particular emphasis on Latin America and Spain. As a whole, this forum series will allow us to reimagine the frontiers of children's literature and to explore some of the world's most pressing social issues through the lens of international picture books. Admission to each forum session is \$12 to be paid on site. Admission fee includes the lecture and morning refreshments of coffee, tea, and pastries. Cottage Grove Place provides bus transportation for the series leaving from the Front Lobby at 8:30am on Thursdays - please sign up on the app or call the Front Desk to secure your spot.



# RESIDENT-LED GAMES

No Experience Necessary!

**Knitting & Yarn Arts** meets at 2:00pm every Sunday in the Assisted Living Red Cedars Lounge.

**Penny Bingo** starts at **2:30pm** every Sunday in the Cottage Grill Private Dining Room.

**Hand & Foot Card Game** is played on Wednesdays at 10:00am in the 3rd Floor Card Room. It is also played at 1:00pm on Thursdays in the 3rd Floor Card Room.

**Rummikub** group is help on Fridays at 7:00pm in the 3rd Floor Card Room.

Join the **Bridge Club** on Mondays and Wednesdays at 1:00pm in the 3rd Floor Card Room.

**500 Card Game** starts at 10:00am and another game at 1:00pm in the 3rd Floor Card Room on Fridays.

**Mexican Train Dominos** meets at 2:00pm on Saturdays in the 3rd Floor Card Room.

#### **RESOLUTIONS ROUNDTABLES**

Come to the Cottage Grill on Wednesday January 8 at 1:30 pm for an informal discussion on personal goals and resolutions for the start of the new year! The group will also discuss ideas for activity programming in the new year and make a bucket list of things they want to do this year.

# READER'S THEATER PRACTICE SESSIONS

Starting this month residents are invited to attend Reader's Theater practice sessions on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 3:00pm in the 2nd Floor Activity Room. There is no experience necessary for joining. We are not formally scheduling a production at this time just reviewing scripts and practicing reading aloud. This informal group is a great way to meet new people and exercise your brain. After reviewing a number of scripts and gauging interests of attendees we can work to schedule a production in the spring. We hope to see you there!

# ART JOY CONNECT WITH CORRINE FOSNAUGH

Corrine Fosnaugh returns for another educational culture class on Tuesday January 14 at 3:00pm in Sedlacek Hall. This month she will cover the world famous Eiffel Tower. Learn about its construction, how it nearly got demolished twice, and what it houses today. Then construct your own Eiffel Tower by stamping paint on paper. An event you do not want to miss!



# SOME NEW PROGRAMMING TO NOTICE

The third Thursday of every month is Wii Bowling in the Fitness Center! It is a fun way to stay active during these colder months and socialize with friends. No experience necessary – join us at 1:30pm to see how you do at virtual bowling. Bring your friends to join in the fun.

The last Wednesday of each month at 4:00pm will be Wine Tasting Wednesday in Sedlacek Hall. Stop by to try some new flavors or some familiar favorites before dinner. Tables will be set up for guests to enjoy conversation and good company.

I scream, you scream, we all scream for ICE CREAM! Come to the Cottage Grill on the last Thursday of each month at 1:30pm to enjoy a cup of ice cream with friends for the Ice Cream Social. Topping will be available for you to create your own sundaes.

Any ideas for new programming? Be sure to leave a message in our suggestion box located at the Front Desk! The activity department is always looking for new ways to bring the fun to you.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
ROOM KEY Front Lobby (FL) Fitness Center (FC) Commons Patio (CP) Commons Dining Room (CDR) Sedlacek Hall (SH) Cottage Grill (CG)	2nd Floor Activity Room (2AR) 3rd Floor Card Room (3CR) The Pub (P) Movie Theater Room (MTR) 2nd Floor Media Room (2MR) Items in red require RSVP— contact the front desk.		1 New Year's Day	2 Hanukkah Ends 8:30 Forum at Home: What's Next? The Future with Bill Gates (MTR) 10:30 Indoor Walking Group (FC) 1:00 Resident Council (SH) 3:00 Trivia Tables (CG)	3 10:00 3rd Floor Coffee Get-together (3CR area) 10:30 Exercise for Everyone (FC) 11:00 Chair Yoga (FC) 12:30 Pool League (P)	4 10:00 Hand & Foot Card Game (3AR)
5	6	7 Podiatrist Visit (2AR)	8	9	10	11
2:00 Knitting & Yarn Arts (Red Cedars Lounge—AL) 2:30 Penny Bingo (CG)	10:30 Exercise for Everyone (FC) 11:00 Chair Yoga (FC) 11:00 Let's Write & Discuss (3CR) 1:45 Reading Group w/ Dot (2AR) 2:30/6:30 Movie Monday & Popcorn: The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry (MTR)	9:00 Coffee and Conversation (CDR)  10:30 Water Aerobics (Spa)  1:00 Bingo (SH)  2:10 Music & Motion (2AR)  3:00 Interdenominational Worship Service (SH)	10:30 Exercise for Everyone (FC) 11:00 Chair Yoga (FC) 11:00 Lunch Outing: Oyama Sushi and Steakhouse (FL) 1:30 Resolutions Roundtable Discussion (CG) 3:00 Reader's Theater Practice (2AR)	8:30 Forum at Home: Mercury 13 (MTR) 10:30 Indoor Walking Group (FC) 3:00 All Resident Meeting (SH) 5:00 Trivia Night (SH)	10:30 Exercise for Everyone (FC) 11:00 Chair Yoga (FC) 12:30 Pool League (P) 2:00 Travel the World Happy Hour: China (CG)	10:00 Hand & Foot Card Game (3AR) 2:00 Cedar Rapids Community Orchestra performance (SH)
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