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From the Senior Manager, Joan Campbell, CPM

Dear Residents,

Happy New Year from the Team at Westminster House Apartments. May the New Year bring you good health, and much happiness!!

The lighting of the Monument was wonderful to watch from our view on the 18th floor. Thank you to everyone who came to share the evening with us, and enjoy the fireworks. Sending a very special thank you to all of the residents who volunteered to serve drinks and appetizers, & helped set up.

We hope that everyone who participated in the Holiday Meal Pick up, enjoyed their dinner. We hope we were able to make the Holidays happy.

Some things that you should know:

With the recent surge in COVID cases, residents should continue to Stay at Home as much as possible. Please remember social distancing is still very important. If you are able to handle any business over the phone, please call. Please limit visits to any of the Community Staff Offices.

Disposable Masks are still available at the Compliance Office. Masks will continue to be required in <u>ALL</u> common areas.

CHANGES TO J&R FOOD MARKET

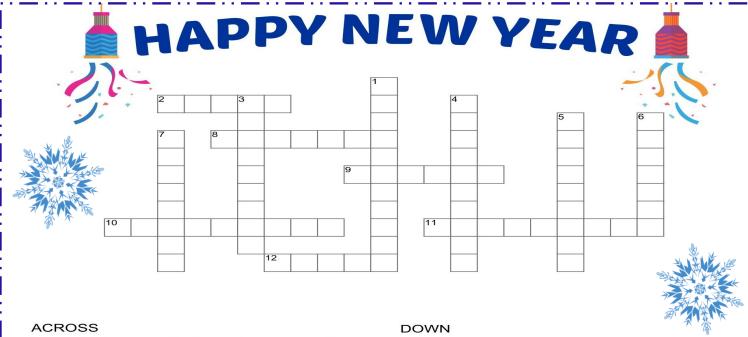
J&R Food Market- The on-site Convenience Store— has begun accepting SNAP Cards (EBT). You can pay for items purchased in the store with cash, credit card or SNAP Card. We hope that this is an added benefit to many of our residents.

LAUNDRY ROOM

We have noticed that the Laundry Room is starting to get crowded. Please remember that only 4 people are allowed in the Laundry Room at one time due to social distancing. Please call the front desk to see if it is available before you come down.



- Joan



- 2. A mechanical or electrical device for measuring time.
- 8. First month of the year.
- 9. All the descendants of a common ancestor.
- 10. the point in time at which something starts.
- Low explosive pyrotechnic device used for entertainment purposes.
- 12. A social gathering of invited guests.

- 1. January 1st
- 3. A white sparkling wine associated with celebration.
- 4. A firm decision to do or not to do something.
- 5. Counting numerals in reverse order to zero.
- 6. A person one knows and with whom one has a bond of mutual affection.
- 7. Twelve o'clock at night.

FAMILY JANUARY CLOCK RESOLUTION
MIDNIGHT CHAMPAGNE COUNTDOWN FRIENDS
BEGINNING FIREWORKS PARTY NEW YEARS DAY



Reed Pest Control will be switching service dates to Wednesdays beginning January 5, 2022. They will no longer be on site on Fridays. If you have a pest control need, please report it to the Front Desk no later than Monday, close of business to be added to that weeks service requests.

Maintenance News Jeffrey Knox, Supervisor

trash MUST be <u>bagged</u> and put into the chute. Please do not leave trash on the floor. This is increasing problems with pests.

Do not put unbagged items into the chute. Boxes and larger items are getting stuck and causing the chute to clog.

Please remember that all

Please do not place trash or tissues in the handrails in the hallway.

With winter and snowy weather approaching, we wanted to remind you of Snow and Ice Safety. We want to help avoid slips and falls. Please remember to:
Wear Proper Footwear.
Make sure your shoes have a tread-like bottoms

Stay Alert when walking on snow or ice covered pavement

and are not slick.

Icy surfaces are a lot more dangerous than they look. Stay safe and watch your step.



Jeffrey

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Resident Services, Mimi Kelly, Resident Services Coordinator

The Covid Vaccine Booster Shot.

Local pharmacies, the Veteran's Administration or your health provider, are offering the Covid booster. It is highly recommended that we get the vaccine and/or booster, we can protect ourselves and others by continuing to social distance, wear our masks and wash our hands frequently. Flu shots are also recommended by the medical profession. Those 65 or over can get the high dose shot. Appointments are necessary at almost every pharmacy.

VOLUNTEERS

Once again, the team at Westminster House would like to thank all of the volunteers who do so much for so many here. So many residents step up to the plate. The Holiday party; the weekly bread & food donations; reporting those who may be sick & need help; the Food Bank distribution; are just a few of the events in which those living at the Westminster House participate. This building would not be a community

without all of you.

Once again, we would also like to thank Edna Davis & her church for the distribution of food baskets at Christmas. They were greatly appreciated. Another church, the Canaan Baptist contacted me and they delivered men's toiletries and various household items before Christmas. With the prices of everything so high, these gifts were greatly needed and appreciated.

MARYLAND ACCESS POINT (MAP)

This is a very good City resource if you have questions about resources for seniors. The number is 410-396-2273. They can offer referrals for community resources, long term services and support. A person actually answers the phone (at least every time I have called with a question). You must call to start the application process. One program is called the Waiver Program and the other is The Community First Choice program. Their service referrals include; health, mental health, utilities, grocery providers, health insurance and Medicare information.

They offer a Senior Care
Program but it is currently on
hold due to the health
situation; however, they will
take applications. This
program allows a
qualified person to come into
your home to help you with
daily living activities. This
could be very helpful after a
surgery or illness when a person can't get out to go shopping or may need help with
light housekeeping.

Their office is close by at 417 E. Fayette St.



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Resident Service Events

1/10 Md. Food Bank
Distribution

Walmart Trip-Every Tuesday 11:30 pm

Shoprite Delivery– Every Thursday



TRIPS

Currently the only trips which are planned are the weekly Walmart trips. Seven (7) residents are allowed per trip. Due to the upsurge in Covid numbers, we currently do not have other trips planned, however trip ideas are always welcome for the future.



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JANUARY'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Monteressa Scales Jerry Storrs Joseph Simpson Bonita Mitchem Ginetta Boynton Bruce Kidd Jessie Frazier **Douglas Miller** Frederick Jones Audrey Curry Donald Bogart Carlton Alexander Jenifer Lace James McAteer Peggy Wilkins Helen Burton Marion Crouse Maurice Robinson Archie Toliver Gertrude Noel Nathan Penn Sylvia Dobbins Joyce Collier Charles Davis



If your name is not listed above, please forgive us as we try to update our listing....we sincerely wish you a Very Happy Birthday. Please advise us if you do not want your name included in future newsletters.

Compassionate condolences are extended to all the family and friends of those we lost recently.



COMPIANCE UPDATE, JENNIFER COCO

Lease Signings!!

The final Stages of the recertifications are complete. You will get an additional notice from me when your paperwork is complete; and your lease and income certification are ready for your signatures. Your leases will run inline with your lease renewal with the Housing Authority of Baltimore City as applicable. Most residents have already signed. If you get a notice from me, please come see me as soon as possible.

There were zero files that needed additional information for their January 1.2022 recertification.

Thank you again for your prompt attention to the income certifications and lease renewals. We would not have been successful without your help!

