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# "THE VIEW FROM 524"



# From the Desk of the Senior Manager, Joan Campbell, CPM



#### **Dear Residents**

To all of our Residents, Guests and Family, we wanted to wish you a Happy Thanksgiving. May your meal be delicious, and your company be cheerful. Enjoy this season of giving thanks.

## **NEW RESIDENT SERVICE COORDINATOR**

We would like to Welcome Lavelle Webb as the new Resident Services Coordinator. Lavelle worked with the Compliance Team before changing into this new role. If you need assistance, please stop by her office across from the Laundry Room.

## **PULL CORDS**

The Emergency Pull Cord system was installed during renovation as a measure of protection for each resident. Please remember that your pull cord strings should NEVER be tied up and should not be blocked by furniture. This is a health and safety issue and could result in a violation letter.

## **OVERNIGHT GUESTS**

Please remember that the Resident has to come to the front Desk and pick up the overnight Passes. If your guest is staying past midnight, they should have an overnight pass. All guests need to be checked in at the Front Desk. You should not bring your guest through the garage without checking them in before going to your apartment.

## **PACKAGES & PERSONAL ITEMS**

Please remember that we can not hold packages or personal items at the front desk. Large Packages or Furniture Deliveries need to be coordinated with the Front Desk PRIOR to delivery. There is not storage room for large boxes or furniture. We will help coordinate with the delivery driver to delivery directly to your apartment when available. Large packages MUST be picked up the same day as they are delivered, or they will be returned.

-Joan





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# Thanksgiving Word Search

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LEAVES CIDER DINNER FAMILY HOLIDAY TRAVEL YAMS **FOOTBALL FEAST** THANKSGIVING TURKEY PIE PUMPKIN CARDS NOVEMBER CELEBRATE CARVE SNOWING VACATION **HARVEST** CANDLES **FESTIVE** FALL

# Maintenance News Jeffrey Knox, Supervisor

We have had several issues recently with Residents flushing items that should not be flushed down the toilet.

Please remember that grease, food and paper towels should never be flushed. Please do not flush personal items like mop heads, rags, clothing or other non-organic items.

These items cause massive clogs in the system. Each of the above items needs to be disposed of in a trash bag, or appropriate container.

Fall is finally here with its cooler weather. There will be no more AC in the apartments until May of next year. The heat is on. If you have any questions regarding programming your thermostat, or if it is not working properly, please put in a work order at the front desk.

Winter reminder to NEVER plug space heaters into extension cords or surge

protectors. Do not use your stove or oven for heat.

**Jeffrey** 







# **MESSAGE FROM SOCIAL SECURITY Cost-of-Living** Adjustment for 2023

Social Security & Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits will increase 8.7 percent in 2023. The 8.7 percent cost-ofliving adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits in January 2023. Increased payments to SSI beneficiaries will begin on 12/31/2022. (Note: some people receive both Social Security and SSI benefits).

# **MEDICARE SUBSCRIBERS**

Medicare Premiums for 2023 will DECREASE to \$164.90 per month. Open enrollment for Medicare Coverage ends December 7th. This is the time vou can switch to a Medicare Advantage Plan -Medicare Plan C or D, return to straight Medicare, or just Enroll. The Effective date is January 1, 2023. It is wise to check if there are plans in this area that offers better health and/or drug coverage at a more affordable price. Call the Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) at (410) 396-2273 FOR DE-TAILED INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE.

MEDICARE

# **Thanksgiving Dinner**



Because many of you may be spending Thanksgiving at home this year,

we are happy to let you know that we will be providing free thanksgiving dinners to our residents. Your dinner can be picked up on the 18th floor on Tuesday before Thanksgiving on November 22rd. We will be using the intercom and calling a floor at a time to pick up your delicious meal. If you would like a dinner please call in your reservation to the front desk before November 11th, as there will be a limited amount available.



## **VOLUNTEERS**

Once again, the Team at Westminster House and I would like to thank all of the volunteers who do so much for so all of us. Especially those that helped make my first Food Bank Delivery a success, and that helped in my transition into my new space. We would not be a community without all of your help and support.

# **BUS TRIPS**

Beginning in January, we will begin having bus trips on the second Friday of each month. The bus service will be provided by Baltimore City Parks and Recs Department. Bus trips will be \$10 per person if the trip is in the city, and \$15 per person if the trip is outside of the city. If you have trip suggestions, please see me.

Lavelle



#### **RSC UP COMING EVENTS**

11/14 Md. Food Bank Distribution Time Varies 11/11 Deadline to respond for Thanksgiving Meal 11/22 Thanksgiving Meal

Walmart Trip Every Tuesday Noon Balti-market Orders Due on Tuesdays Balti-market Food Delivery Thursdays





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## **NOVEMBER'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

*Irose Hughes* Ann Adamus Yvonne Wilson Barbara Harris Linda Dembo Rose Williams Joseph Barber Calvery Harris David Smith Christopher Moyer Noland Goodson Flma Hall Charlotte Chase LaPonda Lewis Alton Pridgen Dorothy Robert-

son

Quincy Guest Frank Bonner

Tyrone Hawkins



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

## **SICK AND SHUT INS**

If you are aware of any individual(s) that are sick or shut in, please make sure you check in with them.

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

Jennifer Coco, Compliance Manager Update

# **Recertification Status Mid-Way Update**

We are finished with the initial phase of our Annual Recertifications for January. If you received a follow up letter because you were unable to keep your appointment, please come see me in the Compliance Office so we can reschedule your appointment as soon as possible.

I am now processing the final stage of the recertification process. You will get an additional notice from me when your paperwork is complete; and your lease and income certification are ready for your signatures.

The process continues to improve, and we could not have done it without your help.

If your lease does not renew in January—you will receive a notice when it is time for your lease renewal and recertification paperwork. Please try to make your appointments as they are scheduled. I am able to work with you, but please communicate.



-Coco